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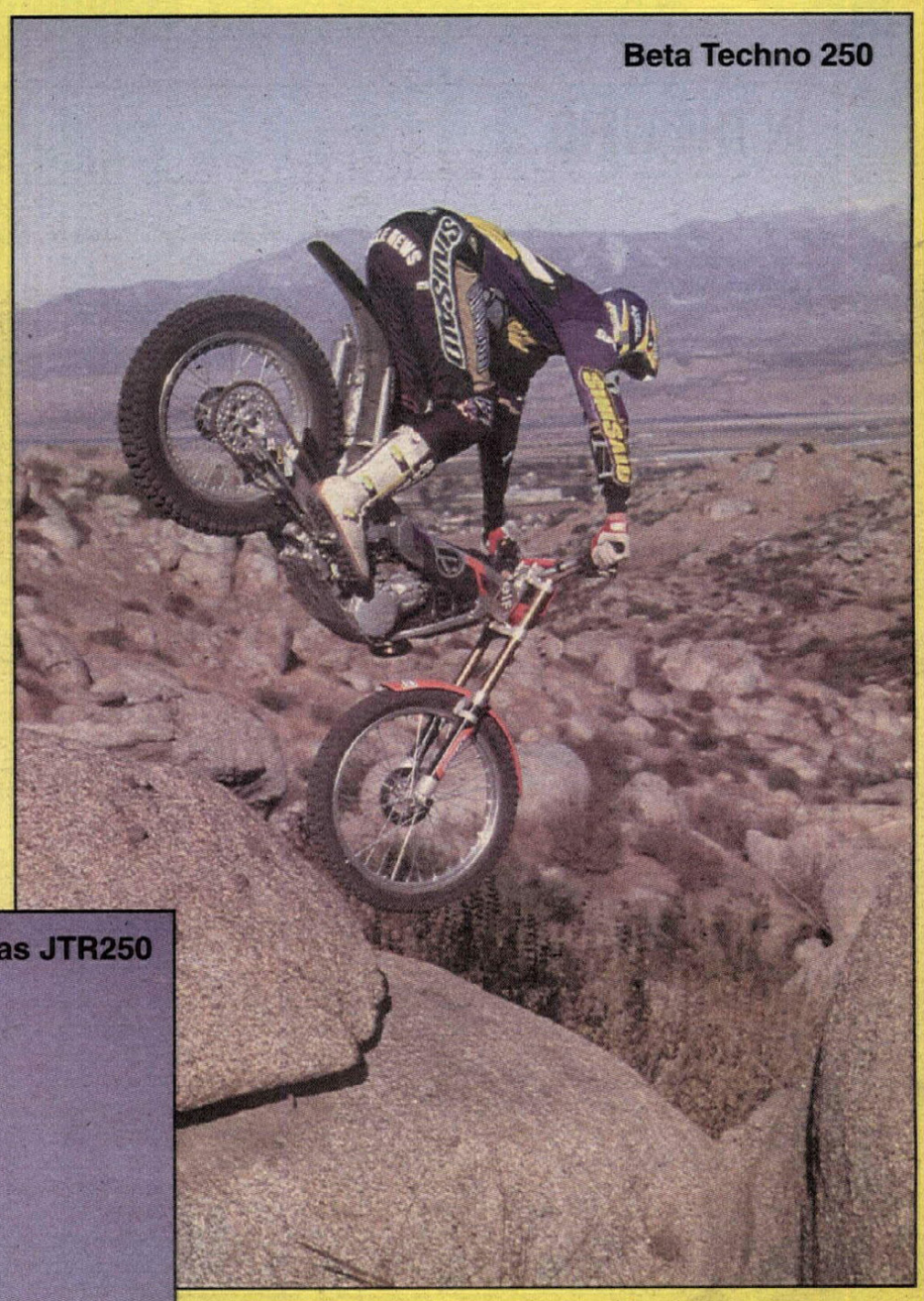

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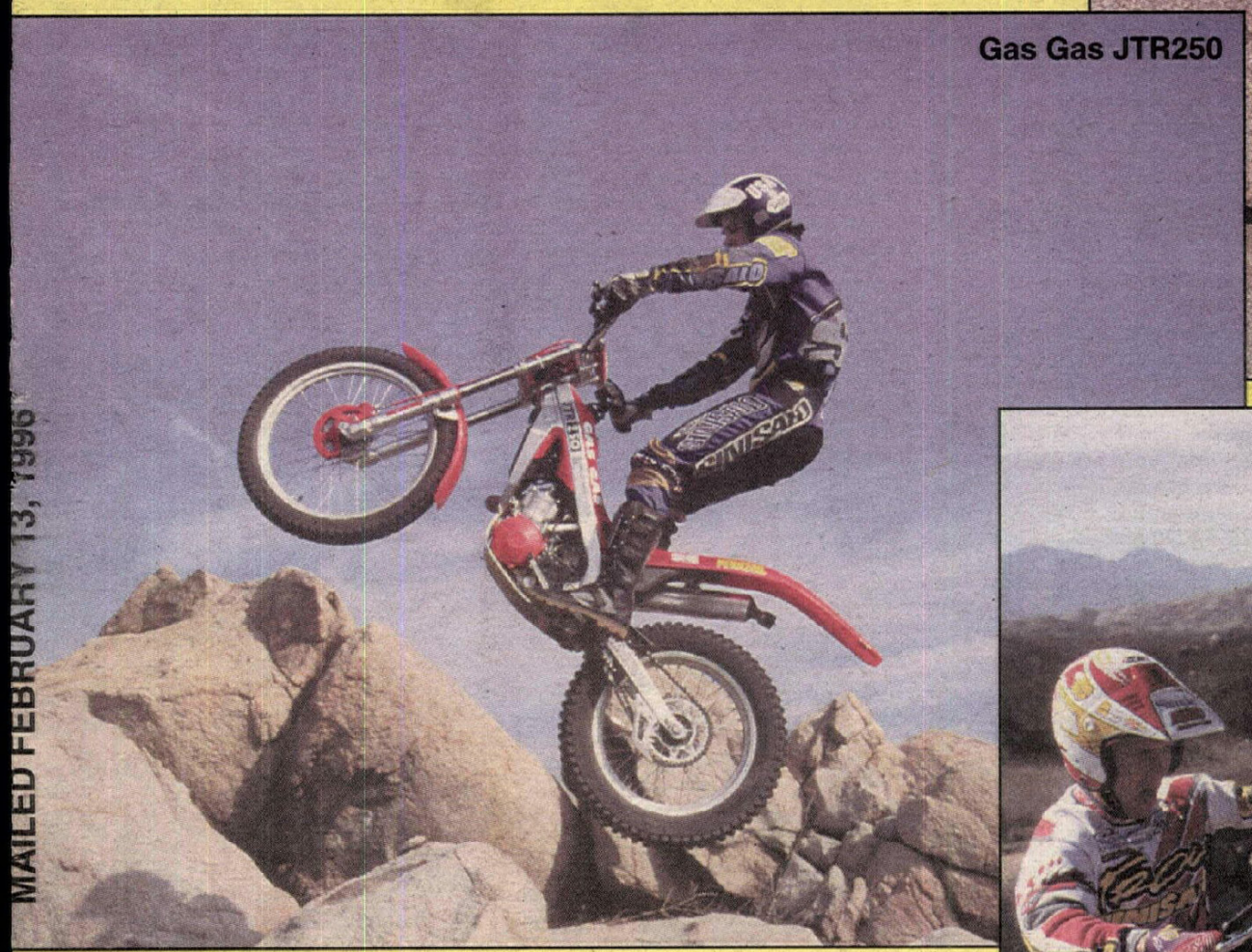

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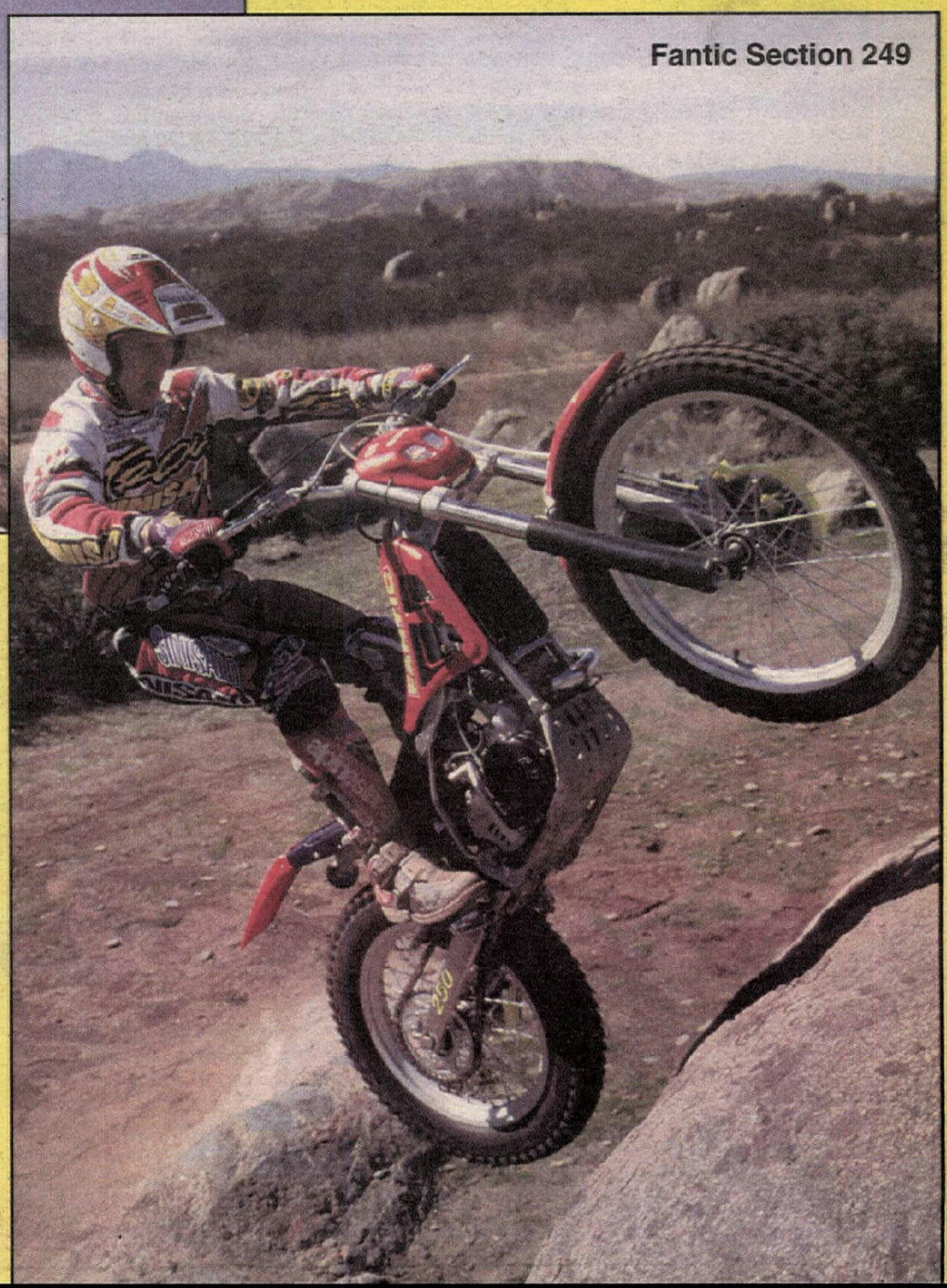

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IN THE WIND

Jimmy Gaddis (Kaw) was the big winner in rounds nine and 10 of the AMA PJ1 Super Arenacross Series, held on February 9-10 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Gaddis won both the 125 and 250cc Pro classes on February 10, a day after winning the 125cc Pro class and finishing second in the 250cc class. Gaddis topped Doug Stone (Kaw) and Todd DeHoop (Suz) in Friday's 125cc race before finishing second to **Jeromy Buehl** (Kaw) in the 250cc final. On Saturday night, Gaddis beat Buehl and Brad Woolsey (Kaw) to win the 125cc class and then topped Buehl and Grayson Goodman (Suz) to win the 250cc class. Gaddis leads the overall point standings with 557 points to Buehl's 536.

Frenchman **Arnaud Demeester** (Yam) won the Le Touquet Enduro, held on the beach in Le Touquet, France, on February 11. Demeester topped **Jerome Belval** (Hon) and **David Hauquier** (Hon) in winning the three-hour race. Motocrosser **Kurt Nicoll** (KTM) finished eighth in his enduro debut.

Craig Smith (Kaw) claimed first overall at the King of the Desert Race XVI at the Lake Superstition off-road area east of San Diego, California. **Greg Bringle** (Hon) overcame a poor start to finish second overall and win the Four Stroke class. **Jason Corfman** (Kaw) won the 250cc A class and finished third overall.

Tropical storms forced the Grand Prix teams attending the IRTA test session in Sentul, Indonesia, to cut the test short by a day. When the lap times were tallied it was two-time World Champion **Michael Doohan** who emerged from the test with the fastest lap time - a 1:26.3, two seconds faster than the lap record set by Carl Fogarty on his Ducati in the 1994 World Superbike round. Doohan's teammate **Alex Criville** was second-fastest at 1:27.4, followed by three riders at 1:27.6 - Marlboro Rainey's Loris Capirossi, Tadayuki Okada and Doriano Romboni. Honda Pons' **Alberto Puig** clocked a 1:27.9 in his first serious ride since breaking his leg during the 1995 season. The fastest 250cc time was set by Honda's Tohru Ukawa at 1:29.5, just a tenth quicker than Max Biaggi's best. IRTA has scheduled further preseason tests at Jerez in Spain on February 16-18.

According to a press release from Yamaha, neither defending AMA 750cc Supersport Champion **Tom Kipp** nor his Vance & Hines Yamaha teammate **Jamie James** will contest the 750cc Supersport Championship in 1996. The release says that the two will concentrate their efforts on the AMA Superbike National Championship. The Supersport-trim Yamaha YZF750 was outpaced by Suzuki's new GSXR750 during the Dunlop tire tests, held at Daytona International Speedway in December.

Swedish 250cc GP Champion **Jan Hansson** will make his U.S. road racing debut at Daytona International Speedway when he rides a Moto Liberty Honda CBR600 in the AMA 600cc Supersport race during Camel Motorcycle Week. Hansson's Swedish sponsors, Spectro Oil and MC-Nytt Magazine, have leased the bike from Moto Liberty, with former AMA National Champion Mike Baldwin, who now works for Spectro, arranging the lease. "I know it will be very hard at Daytona, but I have the pace after riding both the Swedish Championships and the Spanish Ducados Series in 1995," Hansson said. The Swede won every race in Sweden and finished in the top 10 on several occasions in the Spanish series while riding his own Honda RS250.

Former Grand National Champion **Gene Romero** has been retained to handle sales for the Manufacturers' Midway for the upcoming Shoei Helmets 125/250cc National Motocross Championship round scheduled for Glen Helen Raceway in San Bernardino, California, on May 10-12. For more information, call 714/529-6054.

AMA 883 National dirt tracker **Joe Winston III** has landed a ride aboard a Mitchell's Modesto Harley-Davidson-built and tuned 883 Sportster dirt tracker for the 1996 dirt track season. **Bobby White** will handle the tuning chores. Wintson III will kick of the season at the Pomona half mile and joins Matt Wait as a Mitchell's Modesto Harley-Davidson-sponsored rider.

The fledgling **Formula RD** road racing class will kick of its second season with the first of three events at the Streets of Willow Springs in Rosamond, California, on February 17-18. Run in conjunction with the California Motorcycle Road Racing Association's usual 50-125cc classes, F-RD competitors will have a full day of practice on Saturday, followed by two races on Sunday. For more information, call the CMRRA at 909/674-5357.

Advance tickets are now available for the upcoming **L.A. Motorcycle Weekend**, featuring the second round of both the AMA Superbike National Championship and the AMA Grand National Championship at the Pomona Fairplex in Pomona, California, on April 19-21. Advance tickets are available through Race West Productions at P.O. Box 6170, Anaheim, CA 92816-6170 and at TicketMaster. For more information, call 714/632-7070, or in California call 800/364-6060.

AHRMA will host an **American Racer Roundup** in the central pit area of Daytona International Speedway during the lunch break on Monday, March 4, as part of the Classics Days activities. Sponsored by GMA All American Racing, the roundup will be open to all American-made racing motorcycles, with awards given in prewar and postwar age groups. At the same time on Tuesday, six-time World Champion Geoff Duke will judge a special show for Norton Manx and international race and road machines. There is no entry fee for either of the shows. For more information, call AHRMA at 715/842-9699.

Silverstate Motocross in Carson City, Nevada, will host the fourth round of the Golden State MX Nationals on February 18 and will also host a practice day on February 17 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Overnight camping is available. For more information, call 702/267-4392.

According to *Cycle News* contributor Daryl Flack, **Troy Corser** lapped under the official motorcycle lap record at Phillip Island in Australia when he tested his Promotor Ducati there in January. Corser lapped at 1:34.37, two-tenths under Wayne Gardner's lap record, set in 1990 on a Honda NSR500, and 1.2 seconds faster than Carl Fogarty's superbike lap record. Corser lapped consistently in the 1:34s with Texan Mike Hale in the 35s in his second visit to the island circuit near Melbourne. Michael Doohan holds the unofficial lap record at Phillip Island at 1:33.9 during preseason testing in 1994.

Finally, a dirt track schedule

The AMA has released an updated schedule for the Grand National Series, putting an end to a rather lengthy period of negotiation between the sanctioning body and the recently formed Grand National Unified Promoter's Association (GNUPA).

At issue was a proposed $4000 purse increase for the 1996 racing season, which would boost the minimum purse for half miles, TTs and short tracks to $35,000, and the minimum mile purse to $40,000. Members of the GNUPA withheld several dates during the negotiation process to prompt the AMA to discuss the issue of rising event costs. It appeared as though neither party would concede, and as of February 5, there were only three sanction applications on the desk of AMA Dirt Track Manager Bruce Bober.

Realizing the need to act quickly, Bober made what he calls "concessions in other areas" and then sent the remaining non-sanctioned promoters a letter stating that the absolute deadline for application was February 8. Any promoters failing to respond by that time would lose their event date.

"We made concessions, but as far as I was concerned, there was never any threat of the riders losing that $4000 purse increase," Bober said. "Fortunately, we came to a satisfactory agreement. We were making five or six phone calls a day to them (the GNUPA)."

"It wasn't so much the purse increase that bothered us," said Chris Agajanian, the spokesperson for the GNUPA and the promoter of four events on the GNC schedule. "We received a $4000 expenses increase two years ago, and now we were facing another $4500 expenses increase. We always wanted to keep the purses as high as possible for the riders, but when you're already at the ceiling on your expenses, you've got to address that. But we were able to work with the AMA and keep our expenses in check, and the purse increase is still $4000. We worked together and we're all very happy. The AMA was very cordial in the matter. We all bent some."

Gone from the new schedule are the Dallas, Texas; Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania; and Goshen, Indiana, half miles, but the series will head to a new venue in '96 as reigning champion Scott Parker and company visit the Nebraska State Fair Park for the Lincoln Half Mile in August. There are currently 22 races on the schedule plus two open dates, and Bober said that one or two dates may yet be added.

Mar. 9	Memorial Stadium	Daytona Beach, Florida	Short Track
Apr. 20	Pomona Fairplex	Pomona, California	Half Mile
May 4	Delaware State Fairgrounds	Harrington, Delaware	Half Mile
May 26	Illinois State Fairgrounds	Springfield, Illinois	Mile
June 1	La Salle Speedway	La Salle, Illinois	Short Track
June 15	TBA		
June 22	State Fair Speedway	Sedalia, Illinois	Half Mile
June 29	Allen County Fairgrounds	Lima, Ohio	Half Mile
July 6	I-96 Speedway Lake Odessa	Michigan	Half Mile
July 14	Du Quoin State Fairgrounds	Du Quoin, Illinois	Half Mile
July 20	TBA		
July 27	State Fair Speedway	Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	Half Mile
Aug. 4	Peoria Clubgrounds	Peoria, Illinois	TT
Aug. 7	Black Hills Speedway	Rapid City, South Dakota	Half Mile
Aug. 10	Nebraska State Fair Park	Lincoln, Nebraska	Half Mile
Aug. 17	Indiana State Fairgrounds	Indiana State Fairgrounds	Mile
Aug. 24	Hagerstown Speedway	Hagerstown, Maryland	Half Mile
Sept. 1	Illinois State Fairgrounds	Springfield, Illinois	Mile
Sept. 8	New York State Fairgrounds	Syracuse, New York	Mile
Sept. 14	Eldora Speedway	Rossburg, Ohio	Half Mile
Sept. 21	Marion County Fairgrounds	Knoxville, Iowa	Half Mile
Sept. 28	Cal-Expo State Fairgrounds	Sacramento, California	Mile
Oct. 5	Pomona Fairplex	Pomona, California	Half Mile
Oct. 13	Del Mar Fairgrounds	Del Mar, California	Mile

The first **John Britten Memorial Sound of Thunder Race** will be held at the Ruapuna track in New Zealand on February 17-18. BEARS and Sound of Singles racing will be featured on the track where the late John Britten began his racing career. Andrew Stroud recently captured the New Zealand road racing title with a win in the final round on January 7.

According to a press release from Mark Miller Racing, **Mark Miller** recently bettered the lap record at Las Vegas International Speedway in Las Vegas, Nevada, riding his new 1996 Suzuki GSXR750 to wins in the Formula One and Solo 50 Miler. Miller lapped at a best of 1:14.86.

New Zealander **Stephen Vlasblom** will ride a Harley-Davidson backed by American Asphalt and Grading and Southern Nevada Harley-Davidson in 1996. Vlasblom will ride an 883 and a VR1000. "We are still working on getting more support for the superbike so that we have A-grade equipment. Without the good kit parts, there is no point running a superbike to finish 20th," Vlasblom said.

WERA has announced over **$1 million** in contingency postings for 1996. Of this, over $663,000 has been posted for the WERA National Challenge Series, which includes the WERA National Endurance Series. Sportsman Series riders will by vying for more than $447,000 in manufacturers' contingency awards. For more information, call WERA at 770/924-8404.

Fans of Ed Hertfelder's **Duct Tapes** can now find his writings in Paul Clipper's Trail Rider Magazine. "Ed promised to supply us with a column every other month, " Clipper said. "But if we can get it out of him we'll soon have a monthly Hertfelder column in the book." Anyone interested in contacting Hertfelder can do so by writing to him at 111 North Summit Drive, RR 5, Cabot, AR 72023.

After an eight-year absence, the **Vintage**

Dirt Track Racers Association (VDTRA) will return to racing in Florida with two third-mile events scheduled for March 5-6 during Camel Motorcycle Week. VDTRA will run its races at River City Speedway, 40 miles or so north of Barberville, Florida on Highway 17. For more information, call 918/836-6999.

Starwest Supercross Park in Moreno Valley, California, will begin offering Saturday practice days on Saturday mornings, beginning on February 17. The Saturday practice will run from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., featuring special sessions for 60 and 80cc riders along with regular riding sessions for motorcycles. Starwest also offers a separate Pee Wee track. Starwest is also open for riding every Tuesday and Thursday from 4:30 to 9:30 p.m. The cost for all sessions is $15 per bike, including the rider, and $10 for Pee Wee riders. Spectator admission is $4. For more information, call 909/943-4535.

The **Buell Motorcycle Company** has launched its brand in Japan, according to a release from the company. Following a press conference on February 12 to announced the venture, Buell was scheduled to hold a three-day dealer meeting in Tokyo. Thirty dealers have been set up with sales expected to be around 150 units in 1996, the first of which will be available on March 1. The company will offer the S1 Lightning and the S2T Thunderbolt touring model to the market. Buells are currently sold in the United States, Canada and Chile.

In winning the February 10 San Diego Supercross, three-time Supercross Champion **Jeremy McGrath** moved into a tie with six-time National MX Champion **Broc Glover** for fourth on the AMA all-time win list. Coincidentally, the "Golden Boy" was on hand to witness McGrath's runaway win. Both McGrath and Glover boast 44 National MX and Supercross wins. **Jeff Ward** is third with 54, and **Bob Hannah** and **Rick Johnson** are tied for first with 63.

Personal Watercraft Illustrated, the sister publication of *Cycle News*, is actively searching for an associate editor to work on the monthly personal watercraft magazine. A journalism or English degree is required and knowledge of the personal watercraft industry is preferred. Resumes can be sent to *Personal Watercraft Illustrated*, Attn: Paul Carruthers, 2201 Cherry Ave., Long Beach, CA 90806. No phone calls please.

MARRIED: Smokin' Joe's Honda's Steve Crevier to longtime girlfriend Christianne Taylor in Pitt Meadows, British Columbia, Canada, on Saturday, February 10. Christianne is the sister of Canadian road racer Michael Taylor.

MARRIED: Grand National dirt tracker and road racer Joe Winston III to Jennifer Haubert in Las Vegas, Nevada, on Sunday, January 14.

LAUNCHED Daytona International Speedway's home page on the World Wide Web. The site can be found at the following address: http://speedweeks.com.

OPENED: Ryan Young's Trials Superstore, the six-time AMA/NATC National Trials Champion's Gas Gas dealership in Kentucky. Young can be reached at his e-mail address of RYOUNG@rytrials.win.net. The store also has a home page on the World Wide Web which can be found at: http://www.win.net/rytrials. The phone number is 800/607-8742.

APPOINTED: Brian Slark, as a Board of Directors Trustee by the American Historic RAcing Motorcycle Association (AHRMA). Stark is a longtime industry figure and Norton guru, who also serves as director of safety and tech for the organization.

LAUNCHED: Moto Italia's home page on the World Wide Web. The address is as follows: http://www.aa.net/~garage/motoital.html.

BORN: Colin Patrick, to longtime Grand National Cross Country contender Frank Keegan and his wife Krissy on December 25 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

AUTOGRAPH SIGNING: At Sports Cycles in Sulphur, California, on March 15 from 5 to 8 p.m.. Team Suzuki off-road racing team is scheduled to appear. For more information, call 318/625-3278.

AUTOGRAPH SIGNING: At Spaceport Cycles in Titusville, Florida, on March 7 from 6 to 7 p.m. Team Suzuki's MX, road race and off-road racing teams are scheduled to appear. For more information, call 407/269-5941.

MOVED: The Russell Racing School, to Sears Point Racway in Sonoma, California, effective July 1. The Russell School has been headquartered at Laguna Seca Raceway in Monterey, California, for the past 15 years. Russell has signed a 10-year contract with Sears Point Raceway.

CHANGED: The phone number of the Southeastern Sportbike Association. The new number is 770/977-0538.

MOVED: Racer Productions, promoters of the Grand National Cross Country Series, High Point Raceway, Steel City Raceway, Brownsville Raceway, the Amateur National MX Championships at Loretta Lynn's and various other off-road and dual-sport events. The new address is as follows: Racer Productions, Route 12, Box 267, Morgantown, WV26505, 304/284-0084 (voice), 304/284-0081 (fax). Racer X Illustrated can be reached at the same address, but the phone number is 304/284-0080.

AUTOGRAPH SIGNING: At HSKS of Ocala, Florida, on March 1 from 6 to 9 p.m. Team Honda of Troy, Team Suzuki, Team Kawasaki and HSKS riders Paul Currie, Anthony Pocorobba and Travis Blackburn are scheduled to appear. For more information, call 904/732-8531. **CN**

Real dirt returns to So Cal

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What could be the dawn of a new era in Southern California dirt track racing history was brought to light when Perris Auto Speedway hosted a groundbreaking ceremony to celebrate the near-completion of its half-mile clay oval facility on the Lake Perris Fairgrounds in Perris, California, on February 6.

The 8000-seat facility, which is located just southeast of Riverside, is scheduled to open its doors with a sprint-car show on March 30. It is the first new dirt track to be constructed in Southern California in 25 years, and it will be the first Southern California half mile to run weekly shows since the demise of Ascot Park in 1991.

In fact, Ascot may be where PAS has its beginnings, as longtime race-car owners Don, Danny, Ken and Chris Kazarian (left to right), the new venue's proprietors, spent much of their lives, fielding sprint cars with such drivers as CRA champion Bubby Jones at the fabled Gardena track.

"Our family has a racing tradition that dates back to the '60s," said Ken Kazarian. "So this is exciting for us. We see this as a new beginning for dirt track. Southern California hasn't had (something like) this in a long, long time. Our vision is to have a high-quality racing facility that the rest of the country can look up to."

Along those lines, Kazarian said that the permanent structures at the site will include modern restroom facilities and high-quality food concessions. It will also be hard-wired in key areas to facilitate television coverage. Several improvements will be made to the site each year.

The track itself has been designed to accommodate both half mile and quarter mile racing. The back straightaway will be elevated to make for a full view of the racing action even when the infield is full of race transporters. And the infield itself has been designed to allow for a full-on TT course, giving Perris Auto Speedway the ability to host half mile, short track and TT events. Kazarian says that part of the plan is to run no less than four AMA Regional dirt track races in 1996.

"We still have to talk with the AMA to negotiate the dates," Kazarian said. "But we've put a lot of time and effort into it, and we've also been talking to people about hosting AMA-sanctioned amateur dirt track events on a more frequent basis."

Approximately 200 people attended the groundbreaking ceremony, and enthusiasm was running high - perhaps none was more moved than longtime Southern California racing announcer Bruce Flanders, who will be announcing several events at the track.

"God, what a glorious day," Flanders said. "A brand-new dirt track in Southern California. You know, there's something visceral about dirt track racing. The first two guys ever to race did it on the dirt. And now we have the first new Southern California dirt track in 25 years... Can you tell I'm excited? This place is gonna be awesome!"

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VOICES
Letters to the editor

Champine thanks

A huge thank-you goes out to all the old and new friends who got together to help out our family at the January 6 Endurance Ice Race on Lake Koshkonong. Your generosity and support touched our hearts and will always be remembered. A special thanks to all who worked so hard to organize this event.

We look forward to seeing you all at next year's race.

Steve, Heidi, Travis and Samantha Champine
Green Bay, WI

On November 11, 1995, dirt track racer Steve Champine fell from a tree stand, suffering spinal cord damage that has left him a quadriplegic... Editor.

No time

Last weekend my boys and myself were looking forward to two days of supercross. This amounted to a Friday spent chasing the stars for autographs, and Saturday going to the race in Seattle. We are all avid riders and racers, following all kinds of motorcycle sports. On Friday, after going to Lynwood to see the Yamaha riders, we went to the Kawasaki shop, also located in Lynwood.

Anyway, we waited and waited and no Kawasaki stars showed up. What's up with that? Where is rider loyalty? The guys at the shop felt really bad so they gave away a lot of cool stuff - T-shirts, jerseys, tapes, goggles, etc. But it still left a bad taste in my mouth.

P.S. The FMF and Alpinestar guys were very nice.

Michael Byrne
Marysville, WA

Has time

For the past two years, I have written to Scott Parker asking for various information. Each time he has taken the time to respond to my requests. It is refreshing to know that some superstars still have time for the fans. This is the sign of a true champion. Best wishes to Scotty in 1996.

Alan Paul
Bellevue, NE

Where's Wickenberg?

Why was the Wickenberg Enduro canceled? Will there be another event next year? I live in Phoenix and was really looking forward to seeing this event. In fact, I canceled a trip to see the supercross in San Diego to stay home and watch the enduro. Bummer. I guess I should have subscribed to *Cycle News*.

ralph@starlink.com

The Wickenberg, Arizona, round of the AMA National Enduro Series was canceled because of land use problems. We're not certain about next year, but if you subscribe you no doubt will find out early enough not to ruin other plans... Editor.

Love child

As I was reading a copy of *Cycle News* (Issue #4, January 31), I noticed something of interest. Apparently, *Cycle News* declined to make us all aware of a fact that happened five years ago in the Looking Back section.

It appears as though Jeff Stanton and Rex Staten had a love child and named him "Rex Stanton." Not only that, but Rex had gone on to win at Anaheim, round three of the Camel Supercross Series, beating that French guy Bayle and ending up a point ahead of him in the point standings. How come you didn't let us know earlier?

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Godspeed, Ed

What can one say in thinking about a dear friend, Ed Kretz? He always thought about others and I shall miss those calls of thoughtfulness - he was a friend of 60 years.

Godspeed, dear friend.

Mildred Horky
Port Orange, FL

Trick graphics

Having just read "Sportbikes Then and Now" (Issue #4, January 31), I was wondering where you got the GPz 550 with the trick graphics?

I have been riding one motorcycle or another for 20 years and I've even owned a few that you showcased - an H2 750 and 500, and my most recent "vintage" sportbike, a 1978 GS1000. I have since graduated to more conventional sportbikes in order to go road racing (I currently manage Team Streamlined Racing).

You have an absolute top-rated newspaper, and one of the best classified sections available. Keep up the good work.

Donald Fagan
New Windsor, NY

If you hold Cycle News *up to the mirror, the graphics aren't so trick. The photo was accidentally flopped during production... Editor.*

Beemer or Bimmer?

To review 25 years of sportbikes in five and a half pages ("All Revved Up" - Issue #4, January 31), takes considerable courage, knowledge and memory. Though a book on the subject could be written, and perhaps has, Colin Fraser's successful summation was excellent. Now may we have a historical perspective on the last 25 years of singles?

On another subject, there are those in the motor news business who do not know the difference between a "Beemer" and a "Bimmer." From an historical perspective, I offer the following terminology clarifications: In the presence of a BMW automobile owner, never refer to your BMW motorcycle as a "Bimmer." In the presence of a BMW motorcycle owner, never refer to your BMW automobile as a "Beemer." Each group considers the aforementioned terms their exclusive right and invention. At the risk of noting the obvious, I suggest that in the presence of either, never refer to your BMW as a "Bummer."

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Godspeed, Corky

I told my wife, "At least he was doing what he loved. If only we could be so lucky."

Corky Krickbaum was an avid desert racer with the same problem that many of us have: the enthusiasm and drive of an 18 year old locked up in a 40-plus-year-old man. Unfortunately, for all of us, that came to an end at the Adelanto Grand Prix. Corky always had a smile and a willingness to help anyone who needed it, either in the pits or on the course. He was a treasured member of the Vikings M/C and long-time District 37 rider. He will be missed by everyone who had the pleasure of knowing him.

I would like to thank the efforts of the Desert Vipers, Rescue 3, the Adelanto Fire Department and Rescue Team for their response to a tragic event. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to Corky's family and friends. He was one hell of a nice guy. See you later, Cork.

John and Bonnie Fuller
Mira Loma, CA

Krickbaum was killed in the Adelanto Grand Prix on February 3... Editor.

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ON THE FRONT COVER

Trials galore fills the pages of this week's issue. Geoff Aaron, Matt Moore and Michael Ray Craig do the honors on our Beta Techno, Gas Gas JTR250 and Fantic Section test bikes. Photos by Donn Maeda.

You know those days when everything just seems to go right? For Suzuki's off-road team, they're called "race days." On a rainy, sloppy day in Hollister, California, we completely dominated the first race of the 1996 AMA National Hare Scramble Series. Perfectionist Rodney Smith grabbed the holeshot and ended up an incredible two minutes ahead of the second place finisher. Who just happened to be teammate Steve Hatch. To sum up: One, two, what's the competition to do? Maybe it's time to start thinking about beauty school.

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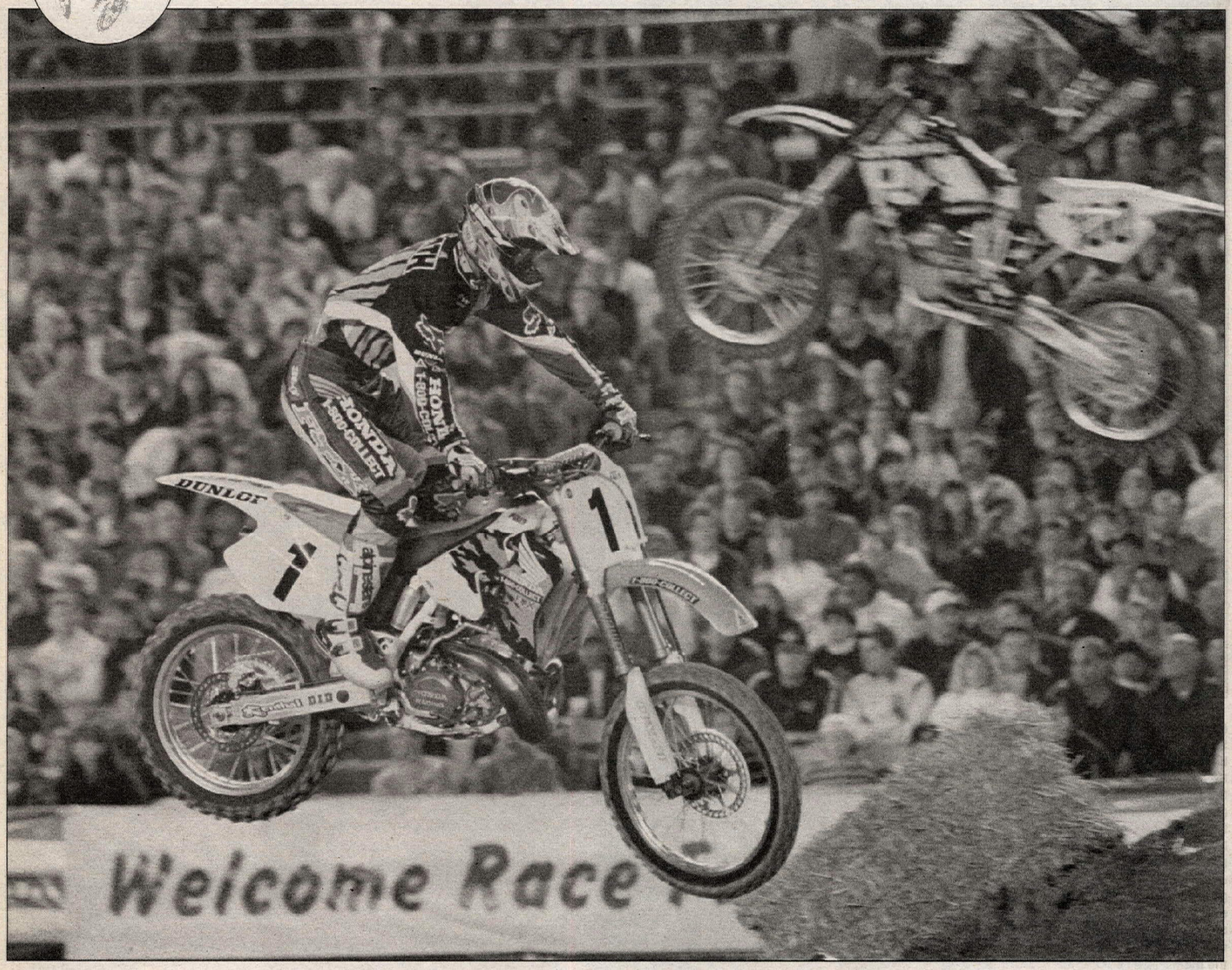

No Sweat

By Kit Palmer
Photos by Kinney Jones

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Perhaps it was the anticipation of seeing Team Honda/1-800-Collect/Fox's Jeremy McGrath possibly getting beaten for the first time this season that lured a record supercross crowd of 42,808 to San Diego's Jack Murphy Stadium. And they had good - well, fairly good - reason to believe that McGrath might not win. It had been just a week earlier in Seattle that the seemingly unbeatable McGrath was seriously challenged for the main-event win by Team Kawasaki's Damon Huffman, and many were predicting that Huffman - running high on new-found confidence - would put an end to McGrath's four-race win streak at San Diego. As evident by the packed stadium, it was obvious that no one wanted to miss out on that.

Then, when McGrath was flat-out beaten for the first time this year - by Kawasaki's Jeff Emig - in the second heat race, many were saying with confidence before the main event that this would indeed be the night that "Showtime" gets knocked off the podium's top spot for the first time this year.

But when the chips were down, McGrath proved just why he is the reigning three-time supercross champion and is well on the way to nabbing his fourth title. When the gate dropped in the feature, McGrath, as he has done so many times in the past, outgunned everyone to the first turn, quickly established a comfortable lead, and cruised to his 35th career supercross victory in typical McGrath fashion. McGrath turned a race that many had predicted would be his first loss of the year into one of his easiest wins.

"Last week (at Seattle), that was just one of those things, but I was definitely impressed with Huffman and how he rode," said McGrath while signing autographs for the hundreds of fans that swarmed the Honda pits after the main event. "This was one of my best races yet. I felt really strong, comfortable - I'm so pumped!"

And what about Huffman, the man who many thought would end McGrath's streak at San Diego? A mid-pack start immediately followed by an encounter with a hay bale all but ruined any hopes he had of giving Kawasaki its first supercross win since April of last year, when Mike LaRocco won at Pontiac, Michigan. After completing the first lap in seventh, then crashing back to last place on the third lap, Huffman rode an inspired race in hopes of salvaging as many points as he could, and he would eventually cross the finish line in sixth place. Huffman was not happy the way things turned out.

"I felt the best ever towards winning tonight," said a dejected Huffman. After a long pause, Huffman continued, "I would've won if I started in the top five. I have no doubt in my mind. I'm very mad, but the way to look at it is that I rode my hardest."

While Huffman tried to come to terms with his sixth-place finish, Emig, Huffman's teammate, was all smiles in

(Opposite page) Jeremy McGrath and his Skip Norfolk-tuned 1-800-Collect/Fox-backed Honda appear to be unstoppable. He recorded his fifth straight win at San Diego, unchallenged from start to finish . (Above) Honda of Troy's Jeff Willoh (73) took full advantage of the absence of the injured Kevin Windham and David Pingree to win the 125cc West Coast main event over Australian Kim Ashkenazi.
(Right) Kawasaki's Jeff Emig finally came to life at San Diego. In a heat race, Emig became the first rider to beat McGrath thus far. Emig went on to finish second in the main. Here he leads Larry Ward (6), Mike Craig (17) and Phil Lawrence (13) at the start. McGrath and Mike Brown have already gone by.

the Kawasaki pits after finishing second for his best performance of the year. Plagued by poor starts thus far in the series, Emig rounded the first lap in sixth and had control of second by the sixth lap. The former 125cc National MX Champion looked like the Emig of old, obviously riding more aggressively and with more confidence, thanks in part to having flat-out beaten McGrath in an earlier heat race.

"That (heat-race win) was a definite boost for me in the main," said Emig. "My speed is up, and that's the main thing. I feel much better now, and I know I can race with him (McGrath)."

Ryan Hughes made it two Kawasaki team riders on the podium with a third-place finish in front of his hometown crowd. Hughes rode what he said was the best race of his young career after coming up through the pack from a 17th-place getaway.

"I wheelied coming out of the gate," said Hughes. "After that I just felt good and let it fly. The track was pretty technical tonight and I seem to do better when it's more technical. I feel good - I'm stoked."

Team Honda of Troy/Sinisalo's Mike Craig, from nearby El Cajon, had the crowd on its feet after getting off to a second-place start. He would camp out there for seven laps before getting passed by Emig, then Hughes seven laps later. From there, Craig held on to claim a well-deserved fourth. But in spite of his top-five placing, Craig was disappointed. He said in frustration, "I couldn't get the whoops down," referring to a long section that was made up of 35 medium-sized and evenly spaced bumps. "I was struggling with them from lap one. I liked riding up front, but I felt like I was just surviving out there all night (because of the whoops). Everywhere else I was all right, but they'd catch me in the whoops."

Rounding out the top five was Team Suzuki's Mike LaRocco, who once again got off to a bad start - 10th after the first lap. He clawed and scratched his way into fifth by the 12th lap but had no chance of catching the leaders once there.

Team Yamaha's Damon Bradshaw also got off to a bad start and was 14th after lap one, but he made up for it by finishing seventh behind Huffman, while Team Honda/1-800-Collect/Fox's Steve Lamson, who started off in Bradshaw's shadow, climbed to eighth. Ninth went to Team Suzuki's Ezra Lusk, finishing just ahead of Great Western Bank's Phil Lawrence, who at one point ran as high as fifth.

Honda of Troy's Brian Swink, who qualified for the main event via the last chance qualifier, started off in 13th and finished 11th, while Honda of Houston/Reclaim's Jeff Dement stayed in 12th all race long. Team PJ1/Xtreme's Jimmy Button had a promising race in hand until he and Lawrence had their front wheels taken out by Bradshaw in one move through a tight, left-hand turn. Button was running sixth at the time of the crash and would end up 13th. Honda of Troy's Larry Ward faded back to 14th after a promising third-place start, while Great Western Bank's Buddy Antunez, Honda of Troy/Sinisalo's Mike Brown, Team Chaparral's Larry Brooks, Team Noleen's Kyle Lewis, SplitFire/Pro Circuit/Kawasaki's Mickael Pichon and Kawasaki/Pro-Circuit-backed Jeff Matiasevich filled out the final finishing order.

In the 125cc Western Regional final, a new name topped the chart, as Honda of Troy/Sinisalo newcomer Jeff Willoh, from Glendale, California, scored the win. Not only was it Willoh's first SX victory, but it was his first trip to the podium, as well as his first top-five finish.

"I'm way pumped," said Willoh. "Every lap after the first lap I'd think, 'Okay, one down, 14 more; one more down, 13 to go.' At first the race seemed to go on forever until I lost track of what lap it was, then it went pretty fast. I just tried to concentrate and keep breathing."

Aboard his Mark Scheff-tuned Honda, Willoh led from start to finish in the 15-lap main, but was hounded by six-time Australian National MX Champion Kim Ashkenazi, riding a Team Primal Impulse/Bill's Pipes/Honda CR125.

"I'm happy but a little disappointed," said Ashkenazi. "I felt that if I was more fit, I could've done better, but I'm pumped to get my first AMA trophy."

Finishing third was Suzuki support rider James Dobb, who was hoping for a win to gain maximum points on series leader Kevin Windham, who was unable to ride due to an injury suffered earlier in the week while practicing. Windham and Dobb are now tied for the series lead with 75 points, while Chaparral's Greg Schnell, who finished seventh in the main, is third with 63 points.

In the 250cc class, McGrath's fifth win extended his series lead over Damon Huffman to 36 points, 125-89. Hughes is now third with 79, just one point ahead of Craig.

250cc

Local star Craig gave the home crowd something to cheer about when he blasted into the lead at the start of the first 250cc heat race. Keeping a close eye on the Honda rider was Kawasaki-mounted Lawrence, who stayed close to Craig for a while before losing touch with the leader. Craig went on to score the popular win, while Lawrence hung on for second.

Most of the racing action took place from third place on back, as Brown, LaRocco, Huffman, Button, Lusk and Matiasevich all mixed it up lap after lap. The closest dicing involved Brown, LaRocco and Huffman. LaRocco and Huffman traded places several times before making their moves on Brown. LaRocco zapped Brown through the whoops, then Brown and Huffman tangled with Brown hitting the deck. LaRocco and Huffman continued their battle to the finish as they closed on Lawrence. When the checkered flag came out, Lawrence held on to his third spot, while LaRocco edged out Huffman for third. Missing out on a direct ticket to the main in fifth was Button.

Emig got his first holeshot of the season in the second heat race, barely beating out McGrath to the first turn. Less than a lap later, though, McGrath slammed into Emig in a turn, taking over the lead. This move only infuriated Emig who came right back and gave McGrath a taste of his own medicine. Two turns later, Emig stuffed the champ in a left turn and retook the lead.

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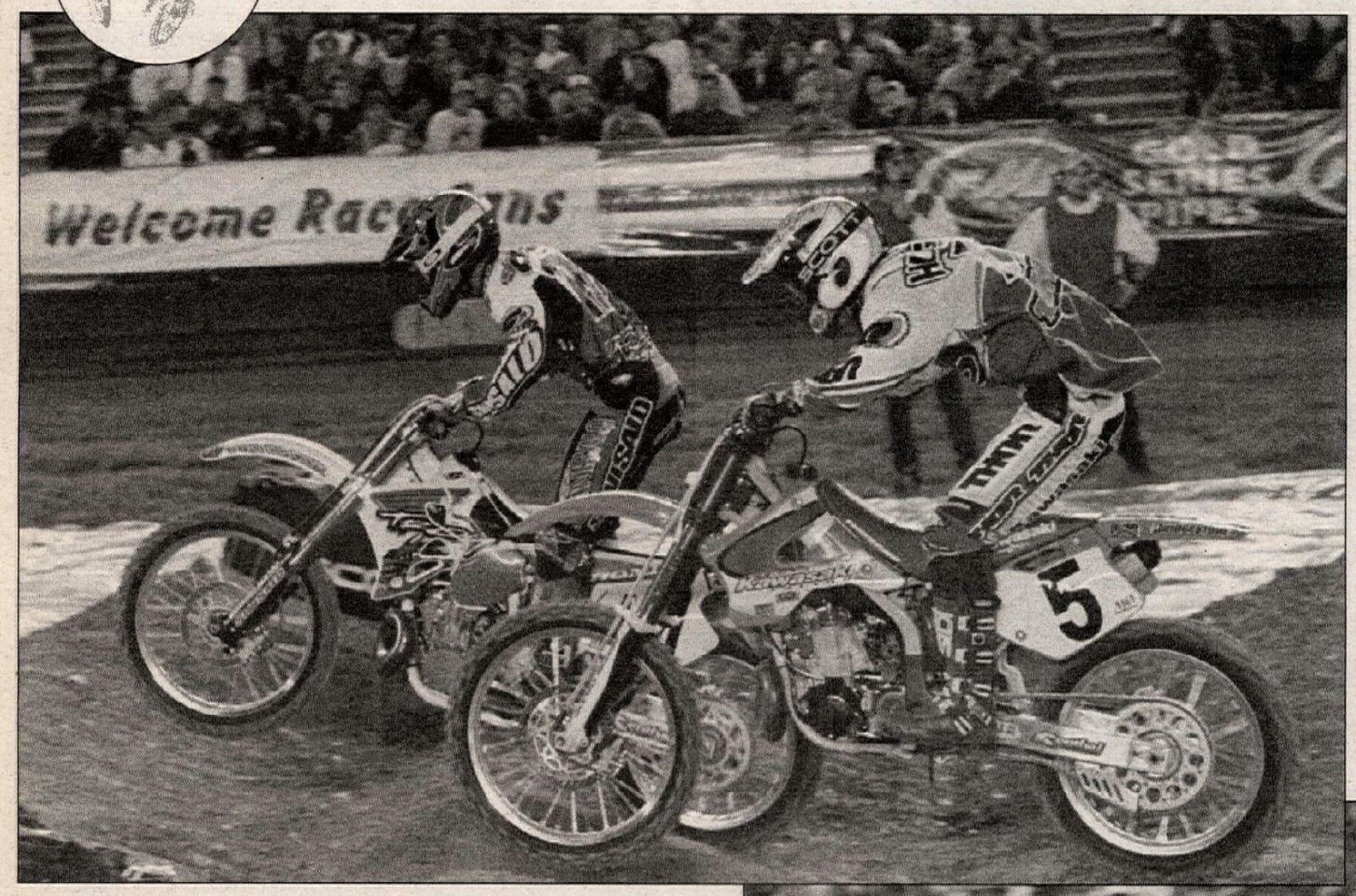


"He (McGrath) drove it in on me and that really pissed me off," said Emig of McGrath's pass. "I was yelling at him and I just got fired up. I saw my chance and returned the favor. When I ran into him, I wasn't trying to knock him down, I was trying to push him over into the hay bales."

Emig opened up a modest lead until the last few laps. McGrath made it a race at that point, but could never make a serious pass attempt.

McGrath's second place was challenged early in the race by Emig's teammate Hughes, and at one point the two sailed over a triple jump nearly side by side with McGrath looking back over his shoulder at his challenger. The two went into the next turn together, but McGrath slammed the door shut on Hughes who stalled his motor. Hughes lost ground on McGrath but didn't lose a position.

At the finish it was Emig taking the win followed by McGrath, Hughes, Bradshaw and Pichon. Finishing one spot out of the transfers was Pichon.

Lusk went wire-to-wire in the first semi, leading a freight train of riders consisting of Brown, Matiasevich, Dement and Button. Though the riders remained fairly close, there was very little passing among the leaders. Brown held on to second, while Matiasevich took third, and Button and Dement fourth and fifth. Shaun Kalos finished sixth, one position out of the transfers.

The second semi saw another start-to-finish win, this time turned in by Lamson. Pichon finished a distant second, ahead of Lewis and Ward. The biggest drama of this race was Brooks passing Suzuki rider Tommy Clowers just before the checkered flag for the last transfer position of the semis.

Swink won the LCQ after a fifth-place start, and Great Western Bank's Denny Stephenson looked to have the final transfer of the night in the bag until getting rammed by teammate Buddy Antunez in a right turn. Stephenson was left sprawling, while Antunez was left holding the last ticket to the main, finishing second.

When the 20-rider pack squeezed into the quick left-right turns at the start of the 250cc main, it was the number-one plate of McGrath's Skip Norfolk-tuned Honda leading the way. Perhaps quicker than in any of the other four previous races, McGrath established a comfortable lead, a lead that would never be threatened throughout the 20-lap race.

"After that heat race battle, there was only one thing to do and that was to get away as fast as possible," said McGrath. "That was my plan."

McGrath's plan worked to a tee, as he simply roosted away and let everyone else battle for second, which was - for the moment - owned by Craig. Craig was closely chased by Ward, Brown, Lawrence, Emig, Huffman, Button and Lusk. Way back in 10th was LaRocco; 14th Bradshaw; 15th Lamson, and 17th Hughes.

Huffman, who had hoped to get away off the start with McGrath, found himself in seventh, then, worse yet, 20th after an encounter with Lusk, who had just passed Button. "Lusk came in underneath me and stuffed me into the hay bales," said Huffman, who would spend the rest of the race climbing up through the pack.

Craig and Brown began dicing over second until Emig moved in and situated himself between the Honda of Troy pilots. Ward had dropped to fourth and would steadily continue falling back to 14th, where he would eventually finish, saying he's still out of shape after breaking his thumb earlier this year.

Lusk was on the move and soon had control of fourth, pressuring Brown from behind. They battled tooth and nail for a number of laps until Brown went crashing to the ground after the two riders collided.

"Lusk ran me over," steamed Brown. "We were going into a turn and he ran right into me, a straight take-out. He better watch out 'cause he's got one coming."

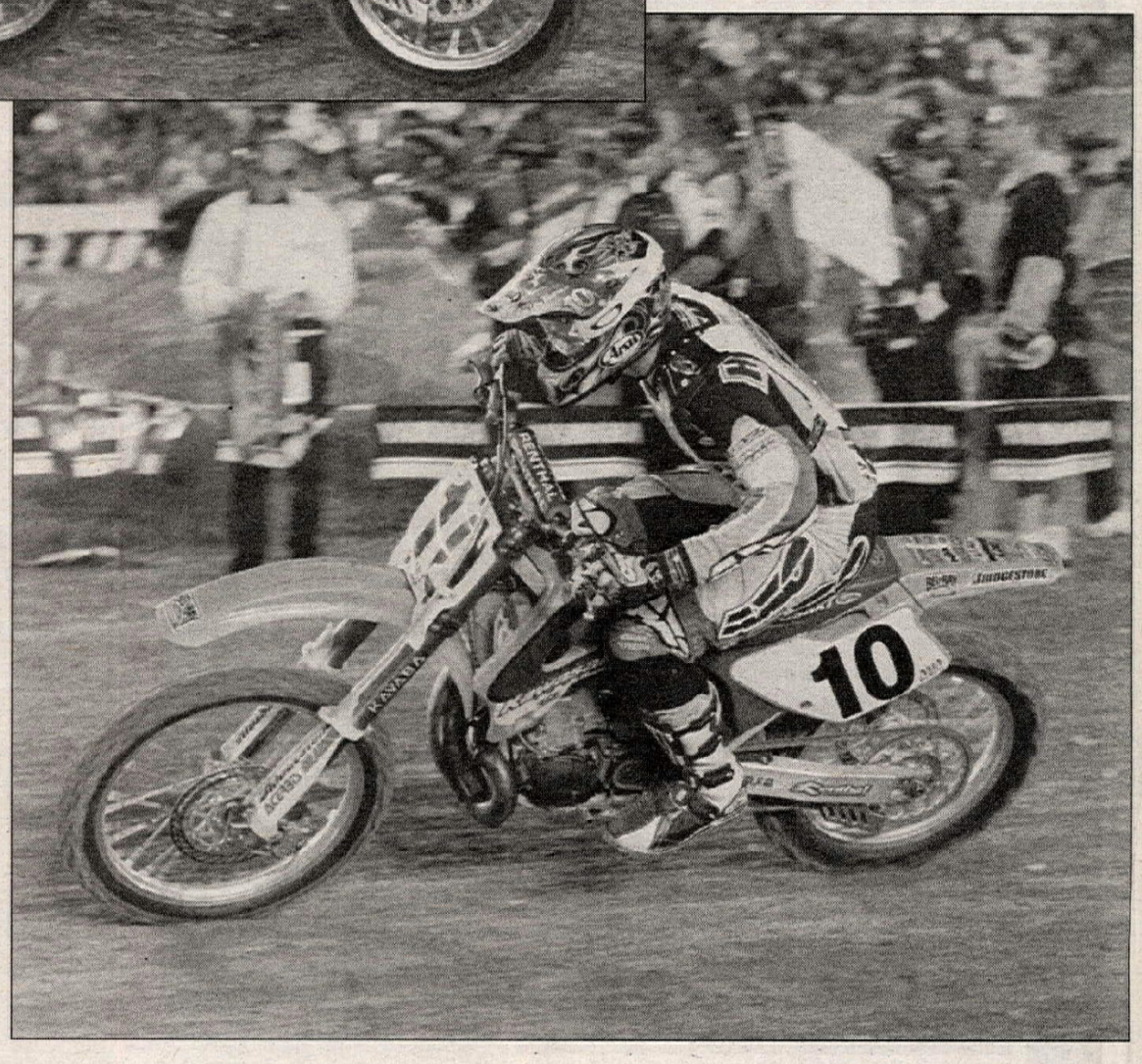
Brown got going again in 13th but would finish out the race in 16th. "I felt good," said a disappointed Brown. "I could've been up there."

By now, Emig had taken control of second, relegating Craig to third. By the midway point, McGrath was still cruising out in front, nearly a full straightaway ahead of Emig and Craig. Now holding down fourth was Hughes, who had remarkably come up from his 17th place start. In fifth was Lusk, followed by a struggling LaRocco, then Button, Lawrence, Bradshaw, Ward, Lamson and Huffman.

LaRocco soon got by Lusk by pushing his teammate out wide in a turn. Shortly thereafter, Lusk crashed all alone in another turn, which dropped him back to 11th. At this point, a three-way dogfight had developed for sixth, seventh and eighth places, involving Button, Lawrence and Bradshaw. That battle ended when all three of them arrived in a tight, left-hand turn at the same time, with Button and Lawrence going wide and Bradshaw diving to the inside. Just as Button and Lawrence pivoted, Bradshaw went by down low, clipping both Button and Lawrence's front wheels. Button and Lawrence went down simultaneously, as Bradshaw got through unscathed. This made the top seven McGrath - who was still way out in front - Emig, Craig, Hughes, LaRocco, Bradshaw and Huffman.

A lap later, Huffman got by Bradshaw, just as Hughes, with his shirttails flapping in the wind, passed Craig in the whoops.

On the last lap, the only battle left



(Above) Kawasaki's Ryan Hughes (5), here mixing it up with Craig in the 100-yard-long whoop section, made the podium with a third-place finish after getting off to a 17th-place start. (Right) Damon Huffman came from dead last after crashing to finish a remarkable sixth. The Kawasaki rider nearly passed Mike LaRocco for fifth on the last lap before running off the track.

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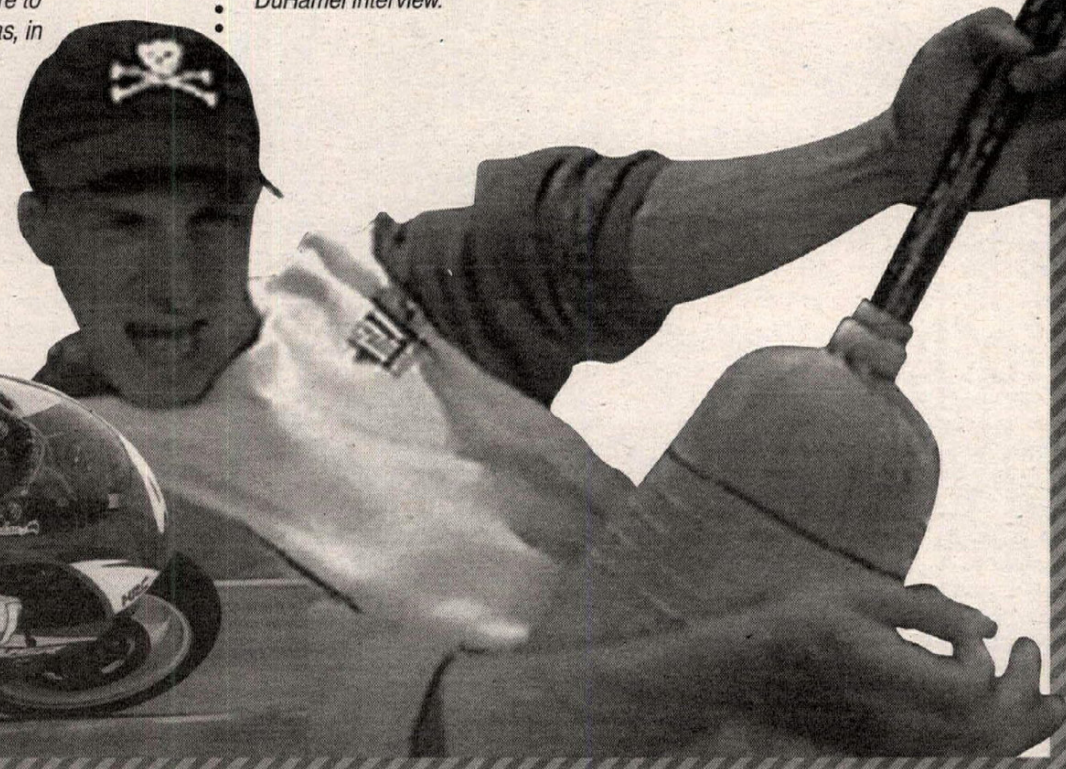

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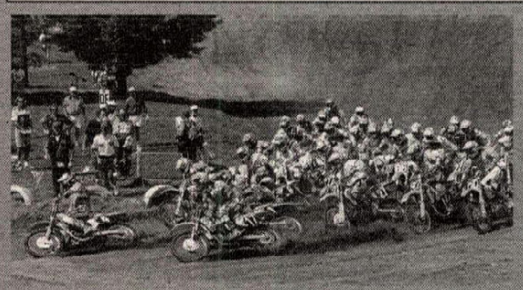

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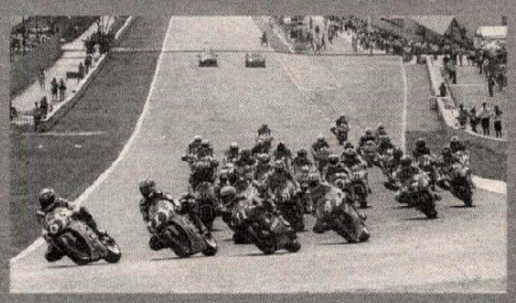

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involved LaRocco and Huffman for fifth place. Heading into the long whoops - Huffman's strongest section of the track - the Kawasaki rider was breathing down LaRocco's neck. Just as Huffman attempted to pass, the Kawasaki rider got a little out of shape and swapped off the side of the course and had to settle for sixth.

"I was a little bothered after the heat race," said winner McGrath. "The bike wasn't quite right in the heat race and we were trying different things. I just had to come back and get my act together."

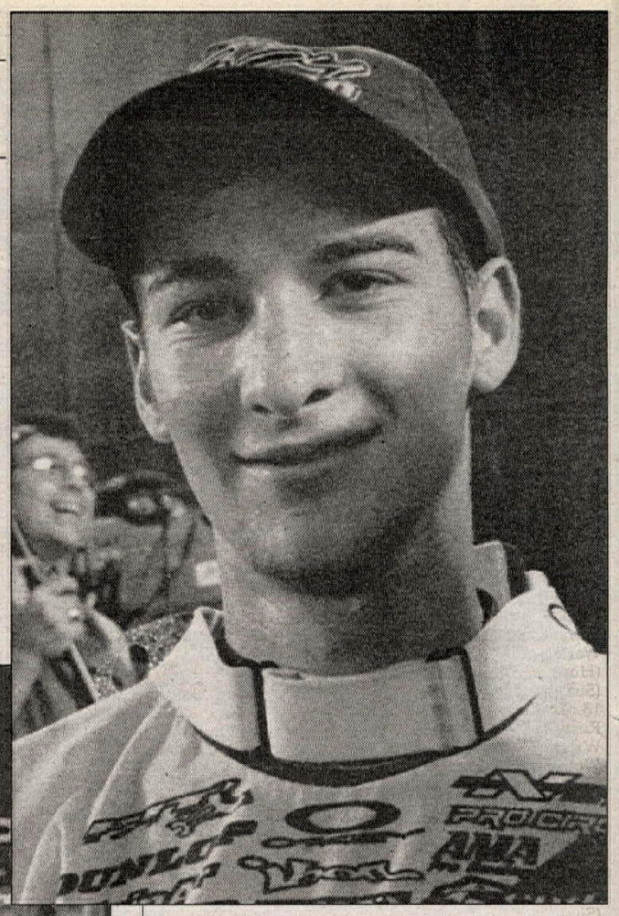
In the 125cc class, Team SplitFire/Pro Circuit/Kawasaki's Casey Johnson nabbed his first-ever heat race win in the first 125cc outing, topping Honda of Troy's Casey Lytle, Dobb and Ashkenazi. Chaparral's Greg Schnell turned in an exciting come-from-behind win in the second heat race, passing Scotts Kawasaki's Travis Hodges on the last lap. Third went to Suzuki rider Cameron Taylor. Suzuki rider Mike Metzger won the LCQ.

But none of these riders led the way when the gate dropped for the start of the 15-lap feature. Instead, it was Willoh, who had finished fourth in his heat race, out in front and setting the pace. Ashkenazi settled into second after the hectic first lap, followed by Honda rider Ryan Huffman, Suzuki-mounted Michael Brandes and Lytle, who would later get out of shape over a triple and crash. Lytle would call it a night anyway.

Dobb, back in seventh and the odds-on favorite to win, seemed to have trouble getting around riders. It would take him nearly half the race before he had control of third. "I was trying my hardest," said Dobb. "Willoh had a good pacing going, and I just wasn't riding good."

For most of the race, Willoh enjoyed a small lead over Ashkenazi, but that lead was slowly shrinking toward the end of the race. By the last lap, Ashkenazi was within striking distance, but Willoh was in charge and hung on to win over the Australian and the Englishman.

Finishing fourth was Brandes, who pretty much ran fourth all race long, while Frenchman David Vuillemin rounded out the top five. Team Primal Impulse's Pedro Gonzalez finished sixth, just ahead of Schnell, who started off the race in 10th. CN



(Right) Winner of the 125cc main event - Jeff Willoh. (Below) Team Suzuki's Mike LaRocco (8) leaves Mickael Pichon sprawling after the Frenchman clipped LaRocco's rear wheel. LaRocco went on to finish fifth, while Pichon retired to the pits.

Jack Murphy Stadium
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(After 5 of 15 rounds)

125 HEAT 1 (6 laps, top 9 transfer): 1. Casey Johnson (Kaw); 2. Casey Lytle (Hon); 3. James Dobb (Suz); 4. Kim Ashkenazi (Hon); 5. Jason McCormick

Briefly...

Team Yamaha's **Kevin Windham**, the series points leader in the 125cc Western Regional SX Series going into the San Diego Supercross, was a surprise no-show. According to Yamaha team manager Keith McCarty, Windham crashed while practicing during the week and broke his collarbone. Windham is recuperating at home in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and is hoping to make his return at the March 16 Houston Supercross. "That's the game plan," said McCarty. "We'll know better after a couple of weeks." If he does make Houston, then Windham will only have missed one round of the West Coast Series - San Diego. Despite sitting out, he's still in a tie for the series points lead with Suzuki rider James Dobb.

Another absentee in the 125cc class was Team SplitFire/Pro Circuit/Kawasaki's **David Pingree**. While practicing on Friday, the day before the San Diego Supercross, Pingree landed on top of a hay bale while trying to avoid a slower rider over a triple jump. In the resulting crash, Pingree broke the femur in his right leg and injured his left knee. According to team manager Mitch Payton, Pingree will be out of action indefinitely. Before the San Diego Supercross, Pingree was second in the series point standings.

Only a few hours before the race, Suzuki privateer rider **Rusty Holland** was given the word that he had been chosen to replace Pingree on the SplitFire/Pro Circuit/Kawasaki team, riding Pingree's motorcycle - at least for the San Diego SX. Unfortunately, Holland had less-than-spectacular results on the chromed Pro Circuit bike. Holland failed to make the 125cc main event.

If it wasn't for bad luck... Once again, Team Suzuki's **Greg Albertyn** sat out the main event because of an injury. During practice earlier in the afternoon, Albertyn "tweaked" his ankle. "I came up short on a jump - I didn't crash, but I hyperextended the Achilles tendon, the one behind the ankle," said the three-time MX World Champion from South Africa. Albertyn tried riding his heat race but pulled off the track after one lap. "Just too much pain," he said. Through it all, Albertyn remained optimistic and stayed all night to sign autographs. "I'm pretty much used to it," said Albertyn of another frustrating injury. "As long as the ankle isn't broken, that's good."

Speaking of **Greg Albertyn**, he now wears a brace to help support his injury-prone shoulder, which he has dislocated twice. "Randy Hawkins (five-time National Enduro Champion) gave me this old brace to try," said Albertyn. "I mean this brace was old, like 20 years old. It's made out of leather and sheep's wool. It looks like something out of Noah's Ark. It seemed to work so I gave it to Mike Raring (Innovation Sports) and he whipped me up a new one in about an hour."

Team Yamaha's **John Dowd** was another rider who did not compete. Dowd, who is in contention for the 125cc East Coast Series championship, twisted his knee at the Seattle Supercross when he crashed in the first turn in the 250cc class and thought it was best to save himself for the next 125cc East round in Atlanta, March 24. "He has his priorities," said team manager Keith McCarty. "He doesn't want to take any chances."

Pedro Gonzalez of the Primal Impulse/Bill's Pipes/Honda team gets the tough-guy award at San Diego. While competing in the 125cc main event, Gonzalez hit his face on the handlebars, resulting in his helmet putting a giant gash, which later required stitches, above his eye. Blood poured down his face forcing him to pull off and toss his goggles aside, and as he did this, he ran off the track and got plastic banners wrapped up in his rear wheel. Despite blood restricting his vision and having the banners in his rear wheel, Gonzalez continued racing, tripling all the jumps. He finished a commendable sixth. One of the medics who treated him was amazed Gonzalez even finished the race.

Tory Joy and her family spent the day in the Team Honda/1-800-Collect/Fox pits with event winner **Jeremy McGrath**. The Make a Wish Foundation flew Joy, a 16-year-old bone-cancer patient, from her home in Syracuse, New York, to San Diego, to meet the three-time Supercross Champion. "My brother races motocross, and I've always liked Jeremy, so I chose him," said Joy, who has successfully undergone treatment for her disease. "He is really nice and we had a great time."

Numerous errors were displayed on the scoreboard throughout the evening - including Western Regional 125cc main-event winner Jeff Willoh's name being misspelled and Mike Craig being credited with third in the 250cc main instead of Ryan Hughes.

And speaking of **Ryan Hughes**, the hometown favorite was pictured on the front of the sports section in the **San Diego Union Tribune**. The caption, however, identified him as three-time champ Jeremy McGrath.

Mike Metzger competed aboard a Suzuki at San Diego, opting to park his Hondas. Metzger reportedly struggled with ignition problems on his CRs and finally decided to switch brands. The jumper *extraordinaire* finished 11th in the Western Regional 125cc main.

It was an international night in the Western Regional 125cc class, as foreigners nabbed two of the top three positions. Australian **Kim Ashkenazi** and Brit **James Dobb** finished second and third, respectively. Coincidentally, both are filling in for injured riders - Ashkenazi for **Robbie Reynard** on the Primal Impulse/Bill's Pipes/Honda team, and Dobb for **Craig Decker** on the factory Suzuki squad.

Craig Decker reports that he hopes to return to action at the May 5 Sacramento, California, 125cc National at Hangtown. "I've been riding," he said. "I feel good."

Shane Trittler showed up at San Diego with conventional Showas bolted back on to the front of his FMF-sponsored Suzuki RM125. Trittler used a set of last year's upside-down Showas at Seattle, but opted to return to the stock forks. Trittler was involved in a multi-rider crash early in the race and ended up 17th.

The **Cathedral City Police Department** was in full force in the pits at San Diego, promoting its **Racing For Kids** program formed by officer **Richard Mosley**, a longtime motocross enthusiasts. Kids were allowed to explore a black-and-white police car that was on display, and talk with uniformed officers. According to Mosley, the program was formed in an effort to keep young riders active in the sport of motocross as well as recruit new racers, teach young people that the sport is challenging and a legal way to have fun, effectively provide an alternative to drug use and create a positive forum for interaction between the police and the community. "When I was a kid, I know that motocross kept me out of trouble," said Mosley. "Instead of partying on Friday and Saturday nights, I'd be at home in the garage working on my bike or going to bed early to race the next day. Motocross racing is a good way to keep kids off drugs; and, by us coming out to the races, we want to show kids that we (policemen) are real people, too, and they shouldn't be afraid of us. RFK is a volunteer program run totally by donations; hopefully, we'll be attending more races through out the year if all goes well." **KTM** supplied motorcycles that were on display to help promote the program. The bikes had the words "police" written on the side panels. Mosley added that if anyone wants more information about the RFK program, they are encouraged to call 619/770-0300.

Team Yamaha's **Doug Henry** is expected to make his return to racing at the Atlanta Supercross in two weeks. Henry broke his back last year in Maryland at the Budds Creek 250cc National MX.

After riding well in his heat race, All-Japan National MX Champion **Jeff Matiasevich** officially recorded a last-place finish at San Diego in what was his final U.S. supercross appearance before returning to Japan. Early in the main event, Matiasevich locked handlebars with Damon Huffman and was dragged to the ground as they approached the finish-line jump. Matiasevich body-slammed the face of the jump, then slowly remounted his Kawasaki. He eventually pulled off after eight laps.

Defending 125cc Eastern Regional SX Champion **Mickael Pichon** lasted only one lap longer than Jeff Matiasevich. He too crashed, in a corner, while running ninth, recording a 19th-place finish.

(Hon); 6. Ryan Huffman (Hon); 7. Don Upton (Hon); 8. Steve Andrich (Suz); 9. Ryan Clark (Suz); 10. Paul Timmins (Suz); 11. Larry Linkogle (Yam); 12. Chad Kresge (Suz); 13. Keith Troccoli (Suz); 14. Jim Chamberlain (Hon); 15. Travis Preston (Suz); 16. Rusty Holland (Suz); 17. Shane Trittler (Suz); 18. David Demangos (Hon); 19. Justin McMurrich (Kaw); 20. Erick Vallejo (Kaw).
Time: 5 min., 50.08 sec.

125 HEAT 2 (6 laps, top 9 transfer): 1. Greg Schnell (Suz); 2. Travis Hodges (Kaw); 3. Cameron Taylor (Suz); 4. Jeff Willoh (Hon); 5. David Muillemin (Kaw); 6. Pedro Gonzalez (Hon); 7. Tony Graves (Suz); 8. Dustin Nelson (Kaw); 9. Michael Brandes (Suz); 10. Eric Wright (Hon); 11. Ty Kady (Suz); 12. Terrance Malan (Suz); 13. Dana Wiggins (Kaw); 14. Marlo Painter (Hon); 15. Ryan Leach (Hon); 16. Ryan Terlecki (Hon); 17. Shawn Waring (Kaw); 18. Jake Windham (Suz); 19. Mike Metzger (Hon); 20. Mat Bateman (Yam).
Time: 5 min., 53.27 sec.

125 LCQ (4 laps, top 4 transfer): 1. Mike Metzger (Hon); 2. Travis Preston (Suz); 3. Shane Trittler (Suz); 4. Paul Timmins (Suz); 5. Larry Linkogle (Yam); 6. Tarrance Malan (Suz); 7. Ryan Terlecki (Hon); 8. Shawn Waring (Kaw); 9. Keith Troccoli (Suz); 10. Marlo Painter (Hon); 11. Jim Chamberlain (Hon); 12. Chad Kresge (Suz); 13. Mat Bateman (Yam); 14. Ryan Leach (Hon); 15. Ty Kady (Suz); 16. Justin McMurrich (Kaw); 17. Rusty Holland (Suz); 18. Dana Wiggins (Kaw); 19. Eric Wright (Hon); 20. David Demangos (Hon); 21. Jake Windham (Suz); 22. Erick Vallejo (Kaw).
Time: 3 min., 58.26 sec.

125 MAIN (15 laps, 22 riders): 1. Jeff Willoh (Hon); 2. Kim Ashkenazi (Hon); 3. James Dobb (Suz); 4. Michael Brandes (Suz); 5. David Vuillemin (Kaw); 6. Pedro Gonzalez (Hon); 7. Greg Schnell (Suz); 8. Ryan Clark (Suz); 9. Dustin Nelson (Kaw); 10. Cameron Taylor (Suz); 11. Mike Metzger (Hon); 12. Steve Andrich (Suz); 13. Paul Timmins (Suz); 14. Tony Graves (Suz); 15. Travis Preston (Suz); 16. Casey Johnson (Kaw); 17. Shane Trittler (Suz); 18. Travis Hodges (Kaw); 19. Ryan Huffman (Hon); 20. Jason McCormick (Kaw); 21. Casey Lytle (Hon); 22. Donald Upton (Hon).
Time: 14 min., 28.87 sec.

125 WESTERN REGIONAL SUPERCROSS SERIES POINT STANDINGS: 1. (TIE) Kevin Windham/James Dobb (75); 3. Greg Schnell (63); 4. Michael Brandes (60); 5. Kim Ashkenazi (55); 6. David Pingree (52); 7. Jeff Willow (46); 8. (TIE) Pedro Gonzalez/David Vuillemin (45); 10. Rusty Holland (39); 11. Casey Johnson (33); 12. Shane Trittler (22); 13. Ryan Clark (18); 14. Travis Hodges (17); 15. Travis Preston (16); 16. Mike Metzger (15); 17. Ryan Huffman (14); 18. (TIE) Tony Graves/Dustin Nelson (12); 20. Cameron Taylor (11).

250 HEAT 1 (8 laps, top 4 transfer): 1. Mike Craig (Hon); 2. Phil Lawrence (Kaw); 3. Mike LaRocco (Suz); 4. Damon Huffman (Kaw); 5. Jimmy Button (Yam); 6. Jeff Matiasevich (Kaw); 7. Brian Swink (Hon); 8. Ezra Lusk (Suz); 9. Mike Brown (Hon); 10. Jeff Dement (Hon); 11. Shaun Kalos (Yam); 12. Scott Sheak (Suz); 13. Cory Keeney (Yam); 14. Micky Dymond (Kaw); 15. James Lavorci (Suz); 16. Bader Manneh (Hon); 17. Nasanuri Enomoto (Kaw); 18. Shawn Wynne (Suz); 19. Kevin Crine (KTM); 20. Greg Albertyn (Suz).
Time: 7 min., 21.99 sec.

250 HEAT 2 (8 laps, top 4 transfer): 1. Jeff Emig (Kaw); 2. Jeremy McGrath (Hon); 3. Ryan Hughes (Kaw); 4. Damon Bradshaw (Yam); 5. Mickael Pichon (Kaw); 6. Steve Lamson (Hon); 7. Kyle Lewis (Yam); 8. Larry Ward (Hon); 9. Shaun Perolio (Kaw); 10. Sebastian Tortelli (Kaw); 11. Denny Stephenson (Kaw); 12. Buddy Antunez (Kaw); 13. Larry Brooks (Yam); 14. Heath Voss (Hon); 15. Tommy Clowers (Suz); 16. Kasaya Kohashi (Hon); 17. David Castillo (Kaw); 18. Atsuta Takateru (Hon); 19. Takase Tanaka (Hon); 20. Tommy Johansson (Kaw).
Time: 7 min., 15.00 sec.

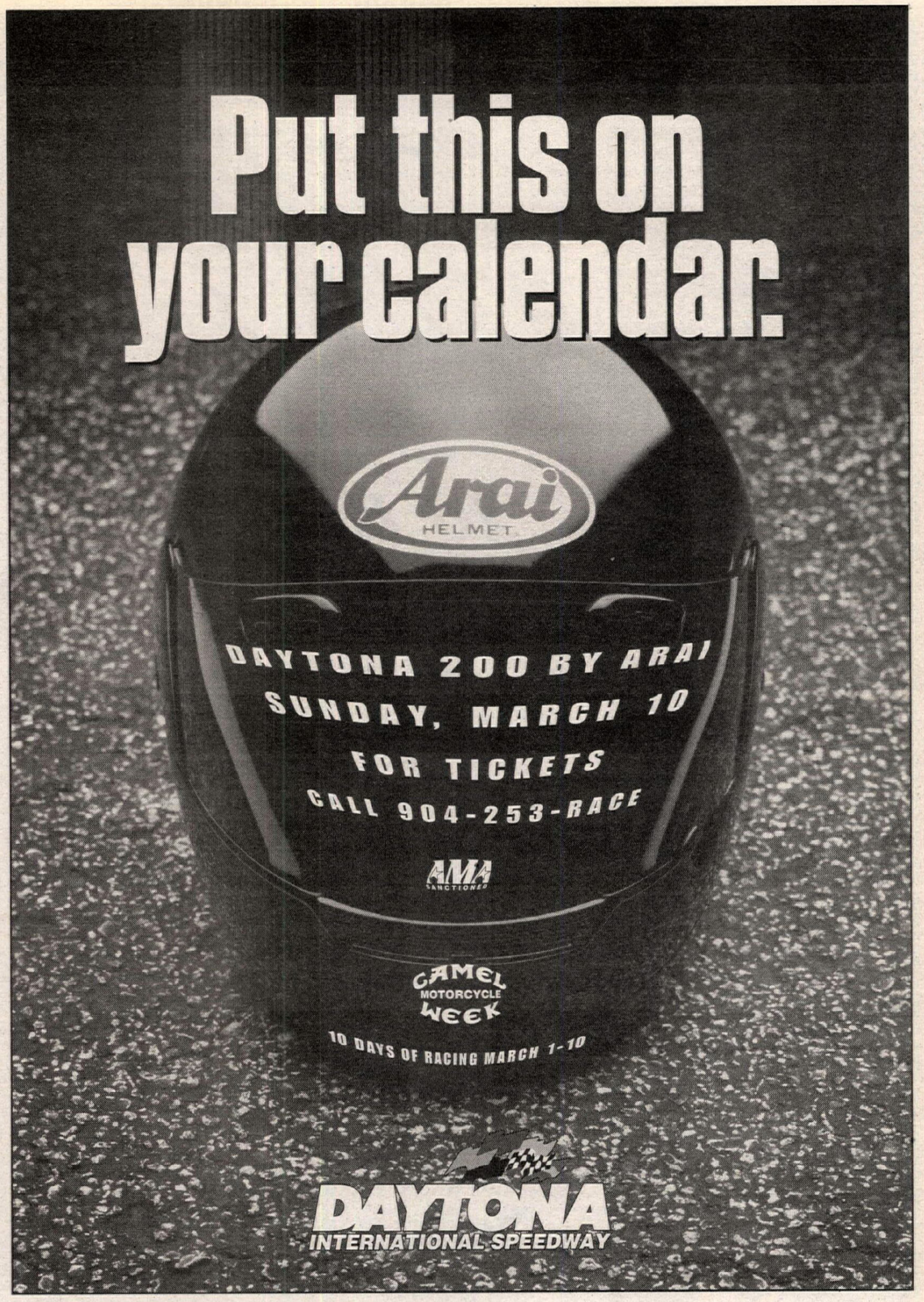
250 SEMI 1 (6 laps, top 5 transfer): 1. Ezra Lusk (Suz); 2. Mike Brown (Hon); 3. Jeff Matiasevich (Kaw); 4. Jimmy Button (Yam); 5. Jeff Dement (Hon); 6. Shaun Kalos (Yam); 7. Brian Swink (Hon); 8. Cory Keeney (Yam); 9. Micky Dymond (Kaw); 10. Nasanuri Enomoto (Kaw); 11. Bader Manneh (Hon); 12. Scott Sheak (Suz); 13. Shaun Wynne (Suz); 14. James Lavorci (Suz); 15. Kevin Crine (KTM); 16. Greg Albertyn (Suz).
Time: 5 min., 29.52 sec.

250 SEMI 2 (6 laps, top 5 transfer): 1. Steve Lamson (Hon); 2. Mickael Pichon (Kaw); 3. Kyle Lewis (Yam); 4. Larry Ward (Hon); 5. Larry Brooks (Yam); 6. Tommy Clowers (Suz); 7. Masaya Kohashi (Hon); 8. Sebastian Tortelli (Kaw); 9. David Castillo (Kaw); 10. Heath Voss (Hon); 11. Atsuta Takateru (Hon); 12. Takase Tanaka (Hon); 13. Tommy Johansson (Kaw); 14. Buddy Antunez (Kaw); 15. Shaun Perolio (Kaw); 16. Denny Stephenson (Kaw).
Time: 5 min., 26.94 sec.

250 LCQ (6 laps, top 2 transfer): 1. Brian Swink (Hon); 2. Buddy Antunez (Kaw); 3. Shaun Perolio (Kaw); 4. Micky Dymond (Kaw); 5. Tommy Clowers (Suz); 6. Kevin Crine (KTM); 7. Denny Stephenson (Kaw); 8. Sebastian Tortelli (Kaw); 9. Scott Sheak (Suz); 10. David Castillo (Kaw); 11. Heath Voss (Hon); 12. Masaya Kohashi (Hon); 13. Nasanuri Enomoto (Kaw); 14. Atsuta Takateru (Hon); 15. Takase Tanaka (Hon); 16. Bader Manneh (Hon); 17. Shaun Wynne (Suz); 18. Tommy Johansson (Kaw); 19. James Lavorci (Suz); 20. Cory Keeney (Yam); 21. Shaun Kalos (Yam); 22. Greg Albertyn (Suz).
Time: 5 min., 35.50 sec.

250 MAIN (20 laps): 1. Jeremy McGrath (Hon); 2. Jeff Emig (Kaw); 3. Ryan Hughes (Kaw); 4. Mike Craig (Hon); 5. Mike LaRocco (Suz); 6. Damon Huffman (Kaw); 7. Damon Bradshaw (Yam); 8. Steve Lamson (Hon); 9. Ezra Lusk (Suz); 10. Phil Lawrence (Kaw); 11. Brian Swink (Hon); 12. Jeff Dement (Hon); 13. Jimmy Button (Yam); 14. Larry Ward (Hon); 15. Buddy Antunez (Kaw); 16. Mike Brown (Hon); 17. Larry Brooks (Yam); 18. Kyle Lewis (Yam); 19. Mickael Pichon (Kaw); 20. Jeff Matiasevich (Kaw).

250 AMA SUPERCROSS SERIES POINT STANDINGS (After 5 of 15 rounds): 1. Jeremy McGrath (125/5 wins); 2. Damon Huffman (89); 3. Ryan Hughes (79); 4. Mike Craig (78); 5. Jeff Emig (73); 6. Mike LaRocco (72); 7. Steve Lamson (70); 8. Damon Bradshaw (68); 9. Phil Lawrence (68); 10. Ezra Lusk (52); 11. Brian Swink (51); 12. Kyle Lewis (42); 13. Mickael Pichon (30); 14. Mike Brown (29); 15. Greg Albertyn (27); 16. (TIE) Jimmy Button/Larry Ward (26); 18. Larry Brooks (25); 19. Jeff Dement (19); 20. Kevin Windham (14).



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A look at the 1996 World Championship Trials Series

An end to the reign?

They say that time and tide wait for no man. And neither will the 1996 World Championship Trials Series. Why? Because once the series gets under way in Madrid, Spain, on April 3-4, there will be only four short months of intensive traveling before the contenders sign off in Belgium, either celebrating their own personal victories or sitting in their trucks, brain-dead, wondering what the hell happened.

This will be the second series in a row that will follow a 10-round format - down from the previous 12 - and if there is one thing that the riders learned last year, it is that they must hit form straight away and maintain it mercilessly until the end. There is no room for a single slack ride. Slip once and you are finished. Just ask Marc Colomer, Tommi Ahvala or Doug Lampkin.

Once a winter sport - something to do with the motocross off-season - trials, at least World Championship Trials, is now an exclusively summer activity. The contenders are no more interested in riding axle-deep mud than are their motocross brothers, and the championship has developed into a sunbaked (hopefully) version of an indoor demo.

So what does 1996 have in store?

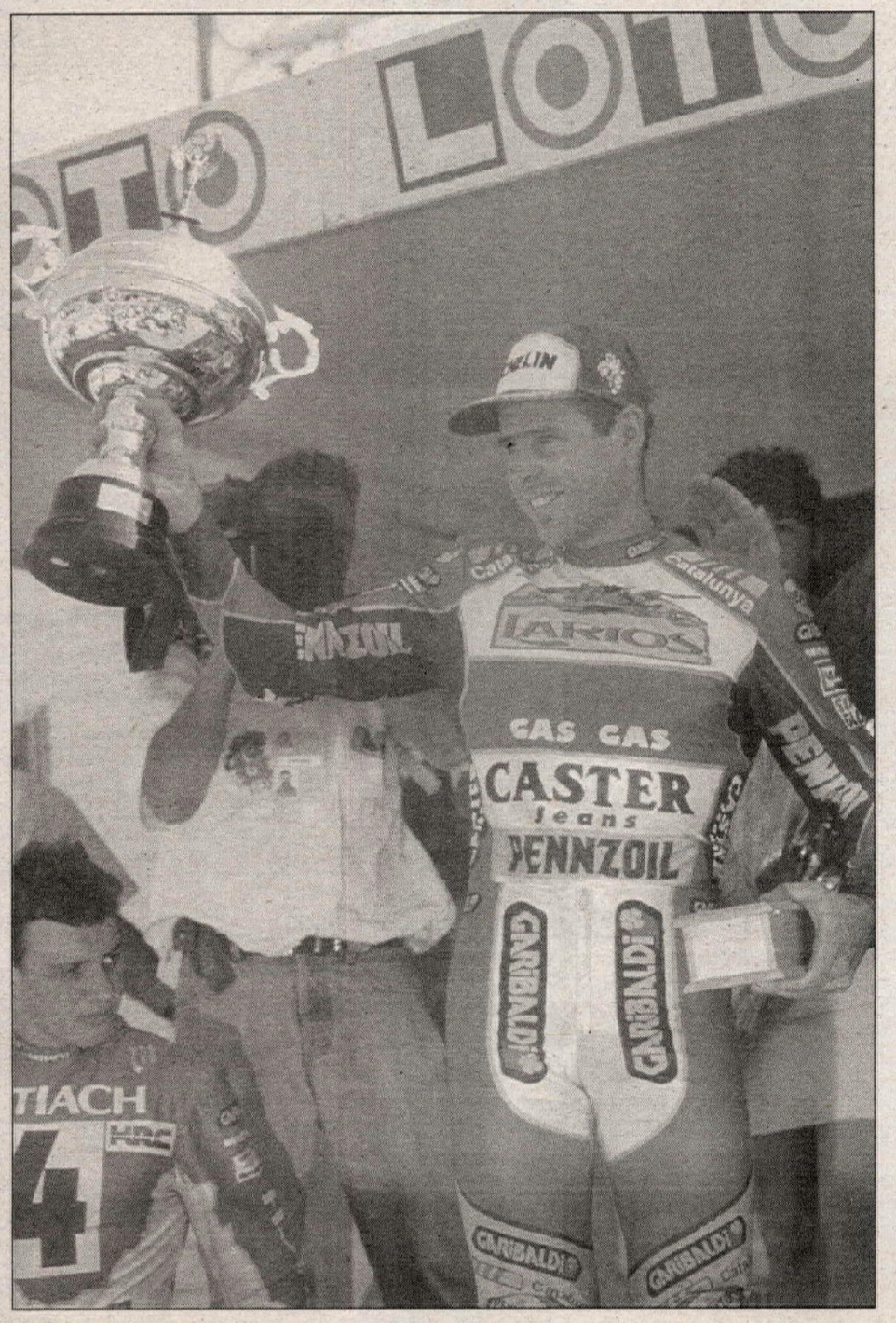
On the trial front, not a lot. This season will see the 10-round, two-day, three-minute-per-section format become more established. Not everyone is happy with the two-day format, whereby riders do a single loop on the opening day and two loops on the second. Most riders would prefer either three loops on one day, or - if they *must* ride two days - two loops per day for a total of four. The single lap on Saturday is very much sudden death, and the riders find it a big problem to psych themselves up for this task.

On the rider front, we start '96 looking again for contenders with a chance of topping the mighty Jordi Tarres. Only a fool would write off the seven-time World Champion, though, and no one should be surprised if we are calling Tarres the eight-time champ, come the season's end. The obvious challengers are Marc Colomer, '92 World Champion Tommi Ahvala and young guns Doug Lampkin and Kenichi Kuroyama, with Joan Pons and Steve Colley as ever-potent threats.

It will be pretty much a case of "As you were" in '96. As Tarres said in Finland after he wrapped up the '95 title, "I don't see much changing in a season - Marc, Tommi, Dougie... they are all a threat and they still all have to beat me."

The predictable round of European venues is spiced up this year with a trans-Atlantic trip to the United States for a round at Rhode Island, and another in Quebec, Canada. After these two events, we will have a good idea of which of the following predictions will hit the target and which will result in a nasty, self-inflicted wound in the foot.

Oh, God, I hate these prediction things! It's just setting yourself up as a coconut shy - every man and his dog wants to knock you off. I mean, I've followed the World Championship Trials Series since a Bultaco-mounted Martin Lampkin won the very first series and I still have no more idea than the man in the moon as to who will win in '96. (Martin Lampkin knows, though - "Our Dougie!" he says.) And I'm not one to argue with Big Mart...but I will anyway.



By John Dickinson • Photos by Donn Maeda

1. Marc Colomer
Olot, Spain
Montesa
21 yrs.

I RECKON THAT 1996 will be the year that Marc Colomer finally emerges from the shadow of his illustrious countryman Jordi Tarres and wins his first World Championship. Colomer is still only 21, and I reckon many people overlooked his youthfulness when they wrote him off at the end of '94 after he slipped to fourth in the standings, down from a brilliant second in '93.

Yes, Colomer certainly let Tarres get to him that season, but he was still very, very young. Last year, back up to second, he matured immensely, and remember - he was developing a very special Montesa after switching from Beta, a move which some pundits (wrongly) thought would be a disaster.

In '95 he not only finished a close runner-up to Tarres in the World Championships, he scored an important psychological victory in winning the Spanish National Championship, bringing Tarres' nine-year winning streak to an end. Okay, this might not have upset Tarres too much (bet it did, though), but it has boosted Colomer's confidence measurably.

Colomer has been the pick of the pack by some distance on the winter Indoor Series circuit, although this can be a bit of a red herring - Indoor Trial results don't always mirror outdoor form. Again, it is a confidence-inspiring thing. And Colomer will be mounted on a special, trick Montesa that was developed by him, for him. This will be the final piece in his winning jigsaw puzzle.

2. Jordi Tarres
Rellinars, Spain
Gas Gas
29 yrs.

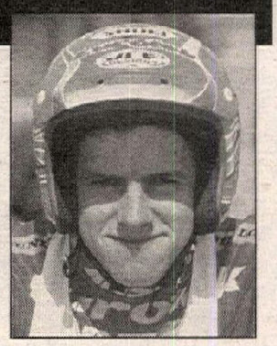
MARKING THE seven-time World Champion down to second place makes me feel uncomfortable. It honestly feels like I'm being unfair to him. With his untouchable record, Tarres is unquestionably the greatest trials rider of all time, but nobody lasts forever and as he approaches 30 Tarres must be more vulnerable to the young lions than ever before.

Tarres' almost unbelievable record of 58 World Round wins will probably never be beaten. He bagged five last season and was a long way from happy when Colomer was judged to have beaten him in Finland. Tarres just hates to lose.

Always brilliant, able to win a trial with a single clean, Tarres is a master of sports psychology and until recently, controlled most of his rivals throughout entire seasons. But the younger generation of riders - Doug Lampkin and Kenichi Kuroyama - refuse to get involved in mind games and just do their own thing. These boys are a danger to Tarres.

Tarres' team, preparation and back-up are second to none. And no expense will be spared from the Gas Gas budget in order to get their fourth World Championship and Tarres' eighth. No one can ride defensively like Tarres when it is necessary, and no one can read a trial like he can. And no one puts in more effort, more practice, more thought or more desire. But in 1996 will it be enough?

3. Doug Lampkin
Silsden, Great Britain
Beta
20 yrs.



A SLICE OF British bias here, maybe, moving "Our Doug" up to third, but I reckon it is justified. European Champion in '93, sixth in the world in '94 and fourth last year, Doug Lampkin remains firmly on the move.

Late-season brinkmanship over a Beta/Gas Gas deal for '96 brought him the slot he sought - as Beta's official factory number one - and this makes him feel much more comfortable regarding machine setup.

The shoulder injury received at last year's Trial des Nations was a real worry, but after a long layoff, Lampkin is now confidently tackling the Indoor Trials events and is looking forward to the World Championship Series.

Like most young riders, Lampkin is happiest in technical sections and on big-time steps. And he has a score to settle in the sandstone confines of his home venue at Hawkstone Park. A 14th-place disaster effectively ruined his title challenge last season before it had really begun. He gets his chance for revenge early this year when the former GP motocross venue again hosts the British event.

And yes, Doug will again be employing his famous father to do the minding for him this season. But before you criticize Mart's vociferous efforts too hard, ask yourself this question - how many times were *you* World Champion?

4. Tommi Ahvala
Helsinki, Finland
Fantic
24 yrs.

NO PROBLEM fitting Tommi Ahvala up with number four. The big Finn is super-consistent, having finished in the top four for the last six years - and he beat Tarres for the Championship in '92 and gave Aprilia their first World Championship title.

Last year was not a happy one for Ahvala at Fantic, yet he still finished the year in third. In '94, his first year on the Italian marque after Aprilia pulled out of trials, he finished as runner-up to Tarres, mounted on the ungainly K-Roo. But last year, on the new "Section" which was virtually built to his specifications, Ahvala struggled with an engine that never produced the power he was looking for until late in the season.

Consistent he is, but Ahvala has never really threatened to reproduce his '92 winning form, and he starts '96 without regular friend and minder, Woody Hole. A new main man has yet to be found.

5. Joan Pons
Olot, Spain
Fantic
23 yrs.

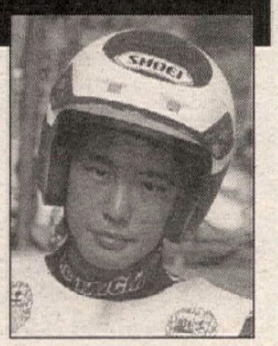
THIS IS THE first really difficult selection. Former European Champion Joan Pons is a very talented, very solid rider, but it appears that he is stuck in a rut that holds him just short of achieving a real top-three shot in '96. Yet he signed off at the end of last season with a string of third-place finishes, so the ability is not in doubt.

Pons, whose almost-fixed poker face doesn't endear him to too many fans, is looking to a change of machine to give him a boost. Having been on Gas Gas for three seasons, a change of mount might make him buzz. But the 330 Gas Gas he rode last year was superbly tuned and he rode it well.

Pons contested the Italian National Championship last season and was beaten by Tommi Ahvala, so maybe they will spark off each other, now that they are both Fantic mounted.

A straight talker, Pons described the entire '95 season as "shit" when interviewed at the last World Round in Finland, so I hope the '96 series is better...

6. Kenichi Kuroyama
Kobe, Japan
Beta
17 yrs.

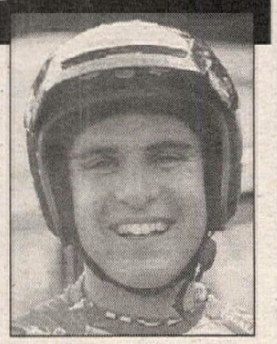


THE TRIALS sensation of '95, fresh-faced Kenichi Kuroyama starts '96 with much greater expectations weighing on his slightly built shoulders. Kuroyama, a former World Bicycle Trials Champion, wowed the crowds last season with his bicycle-based techniques, which proved devastatingly effective at times.

Tenth in the World Championship Series last year - and second in the European Championship - Kuroyama is seen by some to be a title challenger this year. But brilliant though he can be, Kuroyama still has to achieve real consistency to be a season-long title threat.

Kuroyama is not afraid to do his own thing and ride his own trial, which is a big plus. But on the other hand, there will be pressures this year that didn't exist last season. I expect Kuroyama to certainly move up from 10th, but there almost certainly will be hiccups along the way. Watch out for the antics of his minder dad, a former traffic cop and past Japanese National Trials Champion himself.

7. Steve Colley
Onchan, Isle of Man
Gas Gas
24 yrs.

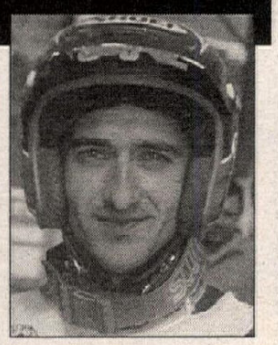


STEVE COLLEY is a rider of immense talent - talent which he has so far failed to convert into results that do him justice. Fortunately the 24-year-old from the Isle of Man, home of the famous TT races, seems to be a slow burner and, although at an age when many are burned out, Colley still sees himself as an up-and-comer.

Colley won the British National Championship in '93 and disappeared totally under the shadow of Doug Lampkin in '94, only to re-emerge last year as British Champion again. A season on Gas Gas, with superb backup from British importer John Shirt, got the Colley confidence back up after a terrible year with Beta, and he is looking forward to '96 with relish.

Colley is a brilliant Indoor Trials rider and he rates crowd-pleasing performances over results. Give him a bone-dry course with mega-grippy steps and he can be electric. The downside is that he hates wet, slippery, muddy sections. Colley's form is erratic, but when his head is on straight, a World Round win is easily possible.

8. Donato Miglio
Arona, Italy
Beta
29 yrs.



WE ARE INTO the realm of old hand-vs.-young gun now, but wily Italian veteran Donato Miglio still looks to be a good bet. In his 30th year like Tarres, quiet man Miglio still flows on a trials bike. Sixth in '95 shocked many who thought he was over the hill, and a top-10 finish in '96 looks very possible once again.

Miglio has switched from Gas Gas to Beta this year and with an eye to the future has tied up a development role with Beta that should keep him in work for three years.

Miglio's strength is his week-in, week-out consistency. He is not flashy, simply effective to the point of being invisible. Only at the end of a trial do people say, "I see Miglio is up there again. Amazing!"

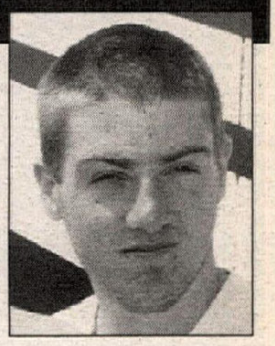
9. Takumi Narita
Kawasaki, Japan
Beta
24 yrs.

IT IS TEMPTING to go for a young contender like European Champion Marcel Justribo here, but again, experience just gets the nod. Justribo has undoubted talent but never really looks hungry enough for success. The incredibly thin, tall, Narita, on the other hand, has just suffered a disastrous season and is eager to show that he is not past his prime.

Playing second fiddle to Kenichi Kuroyama did not come easily to Narita, who was the first genuine Japanese contender on the World Championship scene, and late last season he declared that he would come back more determined than ever in '96.

Narita is a technical rider with good machine-development skills, and he is certainly not returning to Europe just to make up the numbers. Narita, the former Honda works pilot and World number six, will be 25 this year and still has plenty of riding left in him.

10. Graham Jarvis
Canterbury, Great Britain
Scorpa
21 yrs.



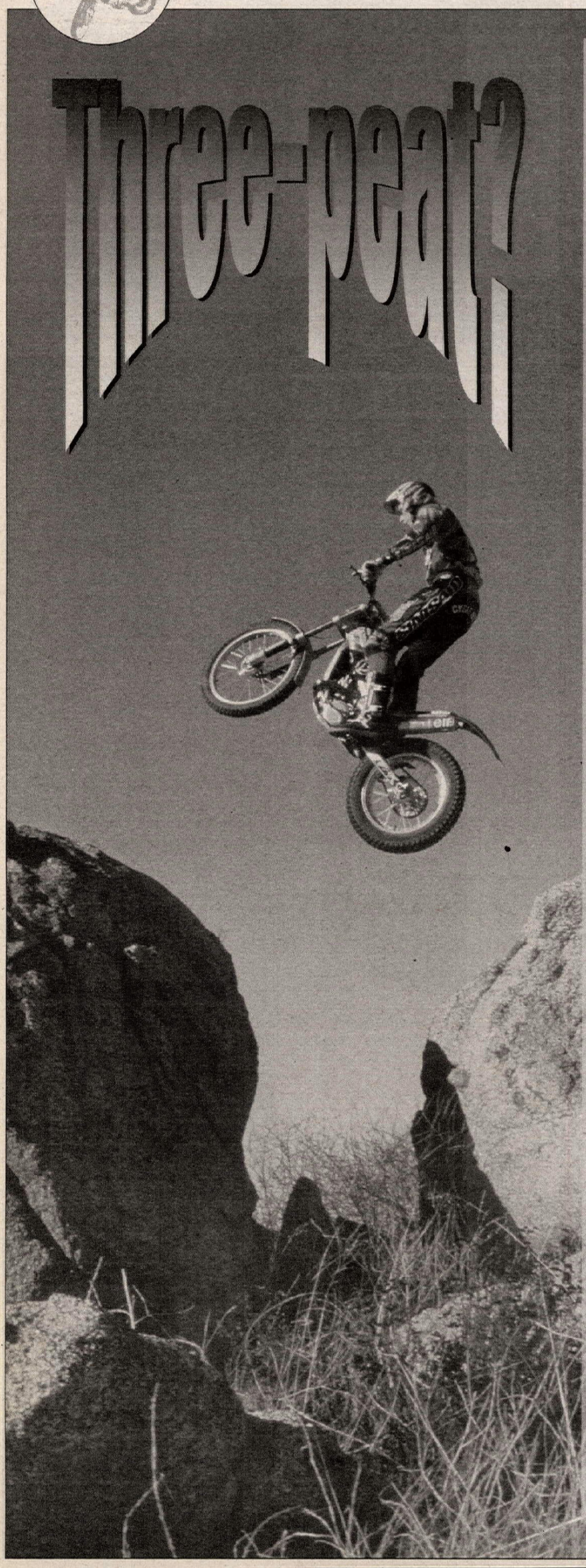
A BIT OF A wild card at number 10, but there are several good reasons for giving Graham Jarvis and Scorpa a chance. Firstly, Jarvis is often totally overlooked as a rider, having lived in the shadow of his countrymen Doug Lampkin and Steve Colley throughout his adult career. But on his day he has beaten both riders - fairly and squarely - and nothing gives him more pleasure.

Last year's Scorpa was certainly not the best machine for achieving World Championship success, but with the radical new "Easy" model, both Graham and the small French factory now are looking to kick some butt.

Quiet man Jarvis has worked hard at developing the new Scorpa and a new-found confidence is easy to spot. His Indoor "disaster" performance at Sheffield is not a fair indicator of his form on the "Easy," as he is a novice on the Indoor scene. Outdoors, it is a different story and it is fair to say that Graham will shock a few established stars this season.

That is my hand-on-heart, heart-in-mouth "expert" pro-journalist stab in the dark. Why not write down your top 10, stick it in the garage wall alongside mine, and come the final round in August - feel free to empty a can of chain lube over the losing selection...

Three-peat?



For the past several years, two riders have dominated the AMA/NATC National Championship Series. The elder of the two has a steady and conservative riding style that has produced six consecutive National Championships from 1988-93. The other is hard-riding and flashy, and has captured the series title for the past two years. Old school vs. new age. Age and experience vs. youth and exuberance. Ryan Young vs. Geoff Aaron.

When Aaron dethroned perennial champ Young in 1994, the six-time National Champion admitted that he had been slacking off a bit and vowed to come back swinging. A rejuvenated Young gained the upper hand right from the get-go in '95, and many were shocked at the Kentucky rider's new-found enthusiasm for riding. In the end, however, it was not enough; Aaron gained momentum as the series wore on and won the last three events of the year to secure his second National Championship.

Young flirted with the idea of retirement at the end of last season, but a lucrative (for trials) sponsorship deal secured in the off-season has given the all-time winningest American trials rider the opportunity to give it one last shot. Young will recieve a $40,000 sponsorship from Zip Express, a Kentucky-based courier service, as he trains part time to become a computer technician for the firm.

But will it be enough? Hard-core Young fans think so, as the new sponsorship and future employment arrangements will allow him to practice, train and compete full time in '96. "There's no reason that I can't come back stronger than I was last year," says Young. "I'm not saying that it will be an easy road to the championship, but I will definitely be in the hunt."

Aaron supporters, however, feel that the reigning champion is in a league of his own. Younger and stronger than Young, Aaron definitely has time on his side. A seemingly unlimited amount of courage drives Aaron, and many feel that the Connecticut rider should follow in the steps of former World Champion Bernie Shreiber and commit himself to the World Championship Trials Series.

"Last year I was still finishing up at college," says Aaron. "I wasn't very focused at the start of the year. Now that I'm out of school, though, I should be able to ride my best right from the start of the season."

For the first time ever, each and every round of the 1996 AMA/NATC National Championship Series will count towards the Championship class title. This is a first, as riders have been able to throw out or miss several events in the past. Last year, only the best six out of 11 scores counted towards the overall standings.

Although the sport of observed trials is still considered by the AMA to be an amateur sport, Roger Ansel of the AMA reports that, "The elimination of throw-out rounds elevates the status of the series and gives it a more professional image." Most hard-core trials fans will agree that a higher level of professionalism is exactly what the sport needs.

Lower-level support classes at the Nationals will continue to have the throw-out option, as only five out of nine finishes will count toward the final series standings.

So how do we predict the 1996 AMA/NATC National Championship Trials Series will end up? After consulting with numerous trials industry insiders, these are the hunches that we settled on...

By Donn Maeda

1. Geoff Aaron

Hometown: West Redding, CT
Age: 23
Career highlights: Two-time National Champion, 17 National wins, five-time Trial des Nations team member.
Sponsors: Beta Motor Italy, Cosmopolitan Motors, Elf, Sinisalo, N-Style, Rising Sun Imports, Cycle Service Center, Axcel Fast Graphics.

GEOFF AARON is without a doubt the largest rider in the Championship class, but the 6'4" 200-pounder puts his size to good use. Not a particularly graceful rider, Aaron pulls tricks out of his hat on a regular basis that leave his peers shaking their heads. When the going gets hairy - that's when Aaron begins to shine. Big sections in which Aaron can utilize his size and strength are his favorites, but being from Connecticut, Aaron's no slouch in the slick stuff, either.

Without the distractions of school Aaron should be able to better focus on his training and practice regimen, and we see no reason that he shouldn't be even stronger than before come the season-opener in California. Aaron reports that the new Beta Techno is the best bike that he's ever ridden, and that, combined with his outstanding skills, should be more than enough to give him the edge needed to win his third straight championship.

2. Ryan Young

Hometown: Louisville, KY
Age: 28
Career highlights: Six-time National Champion, 49 National wins, eight-time Trial des Nations team member, ranked second in '95.
Sponsors: Gas Gas USA, Zip Express, Zipcom, Hebo, Rising Sun Imports, Gaerne, Bluegrass Touring Showcase, Elf, Regina Chain.

THERE'S NO doubt that Ryan Young is the most dominant rider that American trials has ever seen. With 49 career wins, Young needs only five more to actually have *twice* as many wins as 27-time National winner Marland Whaley, who sits second in the record books.

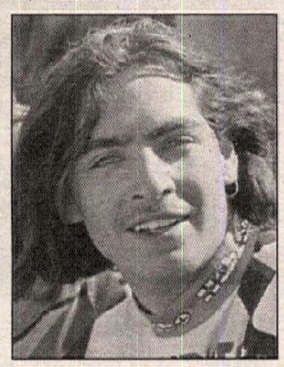
Young is a technical rider who shines when the going gets wet and slippery. His ability to analyze a section is almost second to none, and although not as exciting to watch as Aaron, Young remains a pleasure to view in action.

Though Ryan will once again become a "full-time" trials rider in '96, we're not convinced that the soft-spoken father of three will be able to ascend to the highest level of his long and illustrious career. Young will definitely score his share of wins and move closer to his

goal of doubling Whaley's accomplishments, but even a full-time effort won't be enough to stop Aaron.

3. Jess Kempkes

Hometown: Lincoln, NE
Age: 19
Career highlights: '92 High School National Champion, three-time Trial des Nations team member, '94 Nebraska State Champion, ranked fourth in '95.
Sponsors: Gas Gas USA, Rising Sun Imports, Hebo, Gaerne.



JESS KEMPKES is the only other rider to have scored a National win in '95, doing so at the dry, rocky California event. That about sums up Kempkes' strengths - the long-haired Nebraskan is one of the boldest riders on the circuit, and is often the first to try a dangerous or scary line. But in Kempkes' case, such courage has its penalties. Kempkes isn't afraid to crash, and that's good - because it's something that he does often.

Touted as one of the most talented up-and-comers, Kempkes needs to overcome his tendency to hold his bike wide open when he loses control. Ranked fourth in '95, Kempkes will likely add a win or two to his resume in '96, but we don't see him progressing any higher than third.

For now, that is.

4. Olivier Clamagirand

Hometown: Brea, CA
Age: 28
Career highlights: Two-time Belgian National Champion, top 15 World Round finisher, ranked third in '95.
Sponsors: Gas Gas USA, Bultaco Parts Obsolete, Trick Racing, Braking, Axo Sport, Renthal, Motul, Rising Sun Imports, Route 66, Cuisine Services.

THE ONLY European regularly contesting the series, Olivier Clamagirand has a riding style that is distinctly different than those of his American competitors. The former Belgian National Champion is poetry in motion, and possesses the graceful moves that are a regular sight at the World Championship level. So what is keeping Clamagirand from completely dominating the American series?

That's a good question.

Clamagirand appears to be the most talented rider at times, but little mistakes keep him from tasting victory. Unbelievably, Clamagirand has yet to win a U.S. National. According to some people close to him, Clamagirand is an unpredictable rider who needs to be catered to. On several occasions last season, Clamagirand became flustered and his results suffered greatly. On a good day, however, Clamagirand is a serious threat, and could be the spoiler in '96 if he can put it all together.

5. Matt Moore

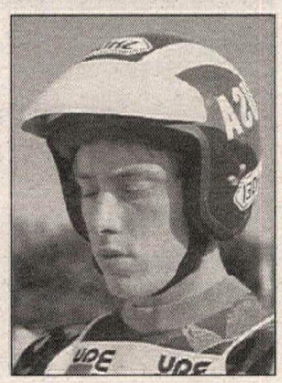
Hometown: Sapulpa, OK
Age: 17
Career highlights: '93 High School National Champion, two-time Trial des Nations team member, three-time Oklahoma State Champion, ranked seventh in '95.
Sponsors: Gas Gas USA, DMR, Sinisalo, Braking, N-Style, Sidi, Moto Mex, M&J Sales, Dillo-T, Moore's Body Shop, Rising Sun Imports, Goat Eyewewar.

OKLAHOMAN Matt Moore is regarded by many as one of the country's most promising young riders. Unlike many of his competitors, Moore's life revolves around trials, and he has no distractions to keep him from progressing higher up the rankings. A high school senior, Moore spends most of his free time riding. Unfortunately, Moore's local practice areas have little to offer, and the former High School National Champion has little or no challenges to help him elevate himself to the next level. Thus, Moore is forced to drive to the neighboring state of Texas to find more severe terrain.

Ranked seventh in '95, Moore is a two-time member of the American Trial des Nations team. One of the youngest riders following the series, Moore rides with more maturity than one would expect of a 17-year-old. A clown in the pits, Moore becomes a serious competitor between the tapes. With youth and enthusiasm on his side, we see Moore jumping at least two spots closer to the top.

6. Raymond Peters

Hometown: Watkins Glen, NY
Age: 22
Career highlights: '90 High School National Champion, four-time Trial des Nations team member, '95 Ute Cup winner, ranked fifth in '95.
Sponsors: Scorpa France, Tryals Shop, Cycle Service Center, Axo, Shoei.



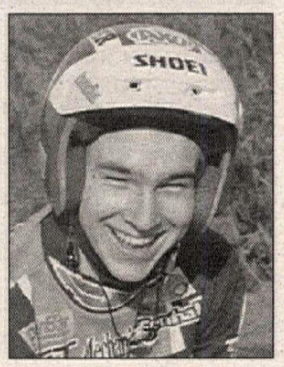
ONE LOOK AT Raymond Peters' hometown, and most trials enthusiasts' mouths will begin to water. Watkins Glen, New York, played host to the 1992 Trial des Nations, and the Europeans have been dying to return to the waterfall-laden riding spot ever since.

As would be expected of a rider who grew up in such an area, Peters is a master when the going gets wet. Like Ryan Young, he is a precise rider who enjoys the technical sections best. Big obstacles are his weakness.

Once ranked as high as third, Peters has yet to score a National win, but could do so if the conditions are right. Though he's only 22, some feel that Peters has already reached his prime. We feel that he may be bumped down a few notches by hungrier riders, but would like nothing better than to see him prove us wrong.

7. Lonny Hallsted

Hometown: Clackamus, OR
Age: 20
Career highlights: Two-time Oregon state Champion, '94 Trial des Nations team member, top American at '94 Trial des Nations, ranked sixth in '95.
Sponsors: Beta Motor Italy, Cosmopolitan Motors, Axo Sport, Renthal, Powerbar, Northeast Trials, Sudco International, Comfoot, Starman Motorsport, Portland Off Road Center, Trainer Tuning.



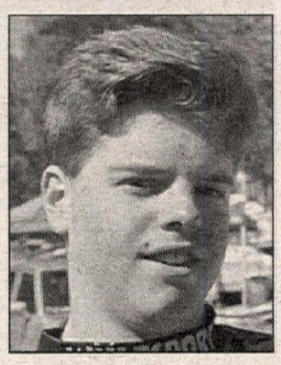
LONNY HALLSTED is arguably the most ambitious of the American riders. So ambitious, in fact, that he will miss several rounds of the series while he trains and competes in Scotland. Following the '95 season in which Hallsted ended up sixth, the Oregon rider decided that the only way to truly improve was to compete overseas.

If Hallsted has a weakness, it may be his tendency to become psyched out. A bad crash before the start of last season forced Hallsted to sit out the first few rounds with a broken shoulder, and upon his return he appeared to be a bit gun-shy.

The time he spends in Scotland will likely do Hallsted a world of good. In spite of missing several of the early rounds, we're betting that he will turn in enough top finishes to end up seventh overall. Who knows, he may even earn his first National win with his newfound overseas experience.

8. Ryon Bell

Hometown: Victoria, British Columbia
Age: 17
Career highlights: Runner-up in '93 High school National Championship, runner-up in Canadian Trials Riders Association Series, ranked ninth in '95.
Sponsors: Mountain Motorcycle, Thetis Cove Joinery, Kenco Motorcycles, Swisher Developments.



YOUNG RYON Bell is only one of many Canadians who travel across the border on a regular basis to compete in the American Nationals. The stocky rider tries hard and is regarded by some as a future championship contender.

Last year, Bell says that he "played it safe," for fear of being injured, but is ready to let it all hang out in '96. Unfortunately, like Lonny Hallsted, Bell will not compete in the entire series. This year, Bell will compete in the famous Scottish Six Days Trial, which will cause him to miss the Tennessee doubleheader. Still, Bell should turn in enough good finishes to stay within the series' top 10 for '96.

9. John Clark

Hometown: Huntsville, Alabama
Age: 22
Career highlights: Third in '90 High School National Championship, ninth in '90 Championship, '94 South Eastern Trials Riders Association Champion
Sponsors: Axo Sport, Tryals Shop, Gas Gas USA, Galfer, Heart of Dixie, Schaeffer Cycle Supply, PRSM, Michelin.

JOHN CLARK IS a somewhat conservative rider who saw his '95 season cut short with a nagging back injury. Three bulging discs and the pain that resulted made it impossible for Clark to finish out the season, but following a winter-long rehabilitation, Clark says that he's fit and ready for the new season.

At press time Clark had yet to secure a motorcycle sponsor, but indicated that he would be either Gas Gas- or Beta-mounted. Once the sole Montesa rider on the Championship level, Clark's change in machinery should give him a boost.

Clark's back injury will be the only thing that can hold him back, as he openly admits that he's still not confident on large steps and drop-offs, for fear that he might reinjure himself. If Clark can overcome his lack of confidence, he should turn in consistent top-10 finishes.

10. Dennis Sweeten

Hometown: Oregon City, Oregon
Age: 31
Career highlights: '94-'95 Oregon State Champion, ranked 10th in '95.
Sponsors: Cycle Tracks, JT USA, Skagit Valley Yamaha/Gas Gas/Beta.

DENNIS Sweeten is the hardest-working rider on the Championship tour. A former pro motocrosser, Sweeten didn't begin riding trials seriously until he was in his mid-20s. A regular practice partner of Lonny Hallsted's, Sweeten gets through the sections more with sheer determination than outstanding skill. He's not flashy or spectacular to watch, but Sweeten has proven that he has what it takes to get the job done and should have no problem staying in the series top 10. CN

Round 1: Adelanto Grand Prix

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By Anne Van Beveren
Photos by Tom Van Beveren

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If there was ever a weekend that Ty Davis would like to do over, it would be the weekend of the 16th Annual Adelanto Grand Prix.

With a field of almost 1,800 racers plus thousands of spectators, the Desert Vipers M.C.-sponsored grand prix is one of the largest and most prestigious events on the Southern California desert calendar, and Davis had big plans as he prepared for the two days of racing.

"I wanted to win every class I entered - the 125s, the 250s, the Open Class, the Four-Stroke Class and the Pro Class," said Davis.

But things did not go Davis' way. After leading every lap of Saturday morning's 125cc event, the Team Green hotshot ran out of gas late in the race and was nowhere to be seen at the finish, and he DNFed again when he blew a motor and coasted to a halt halfway through the four-stroke competition.

But his luck turned around for the Pro Race, and, when he walked away at the end of the weekend with the $2,500 Pro purse in his pocket and the satisfaction of overalling both the 250cc and the Open-class races on Sunday, Davis had to admit that the weekend wasn't all bad.

"It gets a bit old by the end of the two days because you're racing the same course all the time, but I like coming here," said Davis. "It's a change from racing out in the desert when you're in the middle of nowhere and nobody can see you."

If you have any interest in off-road racing, the high-desert town of Adelanto is the place to be on race weekend, and the streets were a hive of activity by the time the banner dropped for the first race at 8 a.m. on Saturday. Music was blaring from overhead speakers, crowds were gathering around the bike display in the Kawasaki pit area, and jackets that proclaimed things like "1975 Baja 1000 Participant" made the spectators almost as interesting as the races.

The course was an eight-mile loop that fast riders could complete in just under 11 minutes. It began with a short sprint down the pavement, then made a sweeping high-speed turn into the dirt and headed out into the desert.

"It was like a fast freeway out there," said Rich Gold, who competed in the Senior division. "They had graded it all so you just sat back, held on and pinned it. I was going so fast my eyeballs were jiggling and my vision was blurring. It was faster than any Adelanto grand prix I've ever ridden before."

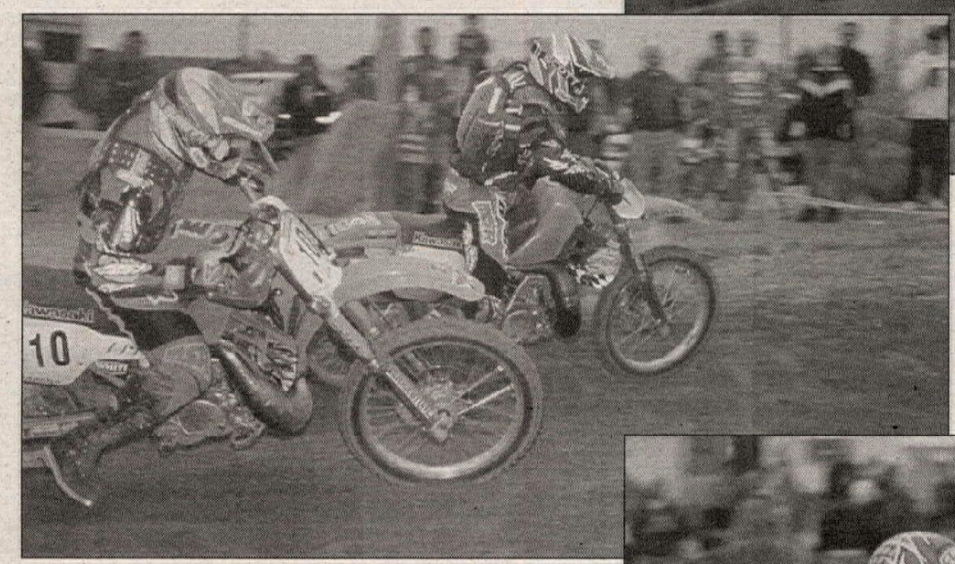
At the end of the desert there was a mile-and-a-half motocross section that combined tight turns with a triple jump and a water jump, followed by a hay-bale chicane that led back to the pavement.

The competition began with the four-lap Unclassified race, which many of the riders used to warm up and get to know the course. Kawasaki Team Green's Paul Krause led the racers all the way.

"I got really lucky. I had a third-row start, but I got the holeshot because the others braked too early going into the first corner," said the KX500-mounted Krause. "The course was groomed for the start, but it started getting rougher and rougher every lap. It wore out fast."

The Senior/Magnum/Super Senior racers made for interesting viewing as they took their places for the second race of the day. Some of the CZs and Bultacos in the lineup were almost as old as the riders, and they made a colorful contrast alongside the dual sport entries with

(Above) Nearly 1800 riders turned out over the weekend for the Desert Vipers Adelanto GP, which runs through the streets of Adelanto.
(Right) Ty Davis tried for six class wins but came up two short.



(Left) Teammates Paul Krause (10) and Ted Hunnicutt battled closely. Krause won the Unclassified race Saturday morning.
(Below) Team Honda's Johnny Campbell took advantage of Davis' misfortune to win the Four-Stroke class.

their headlights running and the latest in motocross technology. "Rocket" Rex Staten was out front all the way when the banner dropped and turned one consistent lap after another as the seniors gradually divided themselves into racers and riders.

Paul Flanders, who entered as a Senior Beginner, was quickly relegated to "rider."

"I got a good start - these desert guys don't know how to ride on pavement like us dual sporters - but it went downhill as soon as I got to the dirt," said Flanders. "They all passed me back."

The race was marred by the death of Cork Krickbaum, a Senior who crashed over the triple jump.

The crowd was still bundled up in jackets and hats when the Vet Experts and Amateurs left the line just before 11 a.m., and solid gray skies promised a light sprinkling of rain before the day was over.

Staten was out in front again in the first loop of the Over 30 dash but succumbed to the hard-charging Krause just before the end of loop two.

"The course dropped off a 10-foot cliff at the road crossing. I landed pretty hard, and the pipe broke," said Staten.

Krause never looked back, and Staten was eventually forced to settle for second, ahead of Honda CR500 racer Drey Dircks, KTM-mounted Scot Harden and KX500 racer Ted Hunnicutt.

"The course is okay," said Krause. "The triple jump is small and I can do it, so that makes me feel good, but the desert section is getting really, really rough. It's already pretty close to a disaster at this point. The ground is so wet there's no give in it."

The Vet Novices and Beginners raced next, and then it was time for Ty Davis' first appearance in the race that combined 125cc mounts with the women and mini racers.

"I thought Larry Roeseler was going to do this race," said Davis, glancing around on the start. "It looks like it's just me and the girls."

Suzuki pilot John Braasch and KX125-mounted Steve Hengeveld did what they could, but it was Davis all the way for the first three laps. The Kawasaki racer pulled a 45-second lead on his first trip around the eight-mile circuit and had put more than a minute on second-placed John Braasch by the end of loop three. Nobody was expecting the checkered flag to drop for Dana Van Stee.

"Davis was gone, so I hung with Braasch and Steve Hengeveld. I passed Hengeveld when he pitted, then I saw Davis sitting by the side of the road," said KX125-mounted Van Stee.

A quick trip through the pit had left Davis a little short on gas, and he coasted to a halt just shy of the final motocross section.

Braasch's chance to take over the lead was stymied by a different sort of gas problem.

"The gas cap fell off and I lost a lot of gas. I stopped halfway through the motocross track. Some guy came over and gave me gas," said Braasch, who dashed home in the nick of time to hold on to second.

But the biggest surprise of the race was still to come, when a cow riding a KX250, with chickens on its front fender and two pigs and a sheep on its rear fender, crossed the finish line.

"I'm surprised all that stuff is still on there," said Vicki Keen, who was vying for the $100 purse the Vipers M.C. offered for the best rider costume. Other strange sights during the weekend included a "Jack's Back" huge white head, a cowboy rider in chaps and a Stet-

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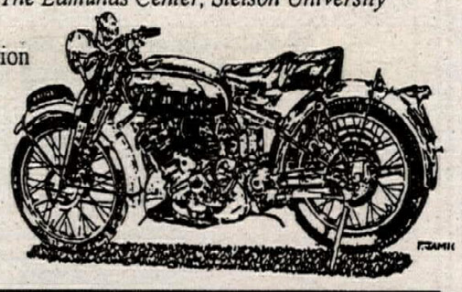

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son with his bike painted to look like a horse, a racer clad from head to toe in blue-and-purple fake feathers, and a red-suited, blue-caped hero who called himself "Bud Man."

"I had a ball," said Keen. "It's fun dressing up."

The fun was put on hold when the Pros came out for the final event of the day. The hour-and-a-half race meant eight laps of the battered course and the competition for the $4,000 purse plus 75-percent payback was fierce.

Davis got away cleanly off the front row, along with Kawasaki teammates Krause and Dave Ondas, KTM-mounted Todd Hoy and Honda factory racer Johnny Campbell. Stuck back on row two of the starting grid, Honda hopeful Drey Dircks wasn't as lucky.

"They guy in front of me fell over and took me down with him right when the banner dropped, so I started last," said Dircks.

By the end of the first loop, Davis had opened up a 38-second lead and his spectacular leaps over the triple jump and water jump had captivated the crowd. Krause was in second, half a minute ahead of KTM-mounted Robert Laughlin, and Campbell, Craig Smith, Hoy, Ondas and Dan Ashcraft were close behind.

Davis was more than a minute ahead of Krause at the end of lap two and started wowing the crowd with a nac-nac over the triple and a hand-off-the-bars salute over the water. Laughlin cleared lap two in fourth but retired after reportedly losing the lower end, and Ashcraft retired from eighth overall with a rear flat.

It was Davis, Krause and Campbell all the way as the race wore on. Roeseler and KTM's Destry Abbott had moved up into the top five by the end of lap four, and another top spot opened up when Hoy called it quits after crashing hard in his fourth circuit. Ondas dropped a spot or two when his KX500 seized briefly on loop four, and even racers whose bikes ran flawlessly had their work cut out trying to turn in lap after lap on the battered course.

"It's fun, but it's a long race on that course," said Dircks, who had battled his way up from dead last to secure a spot in the top 10. "The high speed with the bumps makes it really tough. It's little stutter bumps about 70 percent of the way around."

As the racers entered their final lap, Davis had an all-but-unbeatable three-and-a-half-minute lead. Back in second, Krause was in danger of a sneak attack from Honda XR600R-mounted Campbell.

"I was catching him the whole time. I just pushed and pushed in the last lap," said Campbell. "I snuck up on him, put a surprise pass on him and never looked back. He just gave up."

When the checkered flag dropped at the end of a grueling hour and a half, the biggest win of the weekend went to Davis.

"I got a bad start and I was in mid-pack, but I had the lead by about a mile out. I passed them all really easily," said Davis. "This kind of racing is neat because the crowd cheers you on, which keeps you pumped up. And you make a lot of money, too."

Second-placed Campbell, who finished five and a half minutes behind Davis, admitted the race was a lot of hard work.

"The course is very, very demanding - very high speed and very choppy. It's really hard on the rider. You've got to be in good physical condition for this course," said Campbell. "My background

is GPs so I feel comfortable here, and I love jumping."

Krause, who was forced to drop out of Sunday's races due to illness, held on to take third, ahead of Roeseler, Ondas, Smith and Dircks.

"It was typical Adelanto," said Roeseler. "You're never really in control on this course - you're just on that fine line, trying to go as hard as you can. The bike is really twitchy all the time, so it's tiring, too."

Sunday's racing began with blue skies and sunshine, and an impressive lineup of vintage and classic bikes for the Vintage/Classic/Sidehack race. The racing was wide-handlebar-to-wide-handlebar as the Pentons, Greeves and Rickmans thundered down the pavement then slowed abruptly as old Fox and Kernut shocks went to work in the dirt. Jason Trubey topped the field on a 1976 RM250, and Pete and Scott Whitney topped the Sidehack division, although the spectator favorites were Ron Whittaker and John Williams, who made quite a splash when they endoed their Wasp into the mud at the foot of the water jump.

Dropping the banner wasn't enough to get the Pee Wee division started. It took waving and yelling and pushing to get the tiny tots under way, but the merry-go-round look of the crowded just-for-kids course, plus the sound of race supporters yelling seldom-heard instructions like "slow down" and "don't cry," was more than worth the effort. At the end of the race, the Pee Wees got together with the racers in the Kids Division, who had competed on the motocross track, and headed for the Kawasaki pit, where all 187 of them received a grab-bag gift with a finisher plaque and a Kawasaki souvenir.

Davis was on the line again in the Four-Stroke division, which shared a starting line with the Dual Sport class, and led for two spectacular laps on his KLX650.

"I rode it too hard and I blew it up," said Davis, who pulled out a 49-second lead on his first lap and was triple-jumping the four-stroke like a stadium racer. "I should've backed her down. I had Campbell beat easily but I had my adrenaline going and I wanted to go, go, go."

The engine failure turned the win over to Campbell. Jeff Capt made it one-two for Honda and ex-motocrosser Jeff Spencer topped the Dual Sport division on a KTM LC4. The license plate and taillight that Spencer lost in the motocross section were delivered to him at the finish.

"The jumps are pretty scary on this heavy of a bike, but it's still the funnest bike I've ever had," said Spencer.

Davis was back with a vengeance for the 250cc Pros, taking a wire-to-wire win by more than two minutes over Destry Abbott, Steve Hengeveld and Eric Hallgath, and turned in another high-flying performance to win the final race of the weekend, the Open Class, ahead of Campbell and Staten, who battled for three laps before Campbell got the edge. Smith and Ondas filled out the top five.

"I like racing the 250s best here because you don't get tired," said Davis. "On a 250, you just keep it pinned and the jumps are fun because you can do things you can't do on a 500 because you're too busy hanging on." CN

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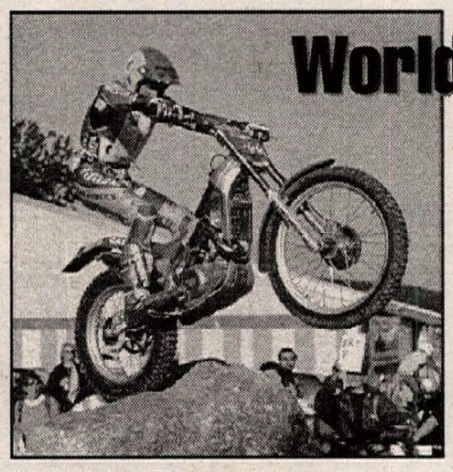

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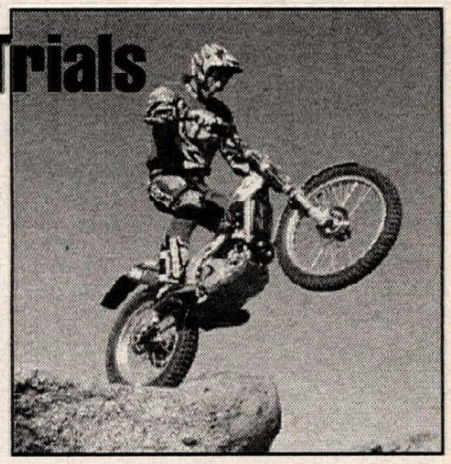

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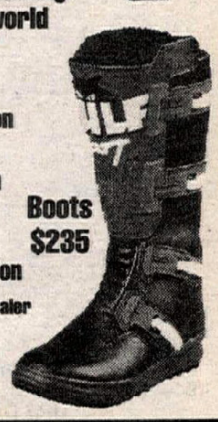

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By Donn Maeda

What's in a name? In the case of the newest Gas Gas trials bike, the new JTR nomenclature stands for "Jordi Tarres Replica." Replica - so that's what the new racy-sounding "R" stands for.

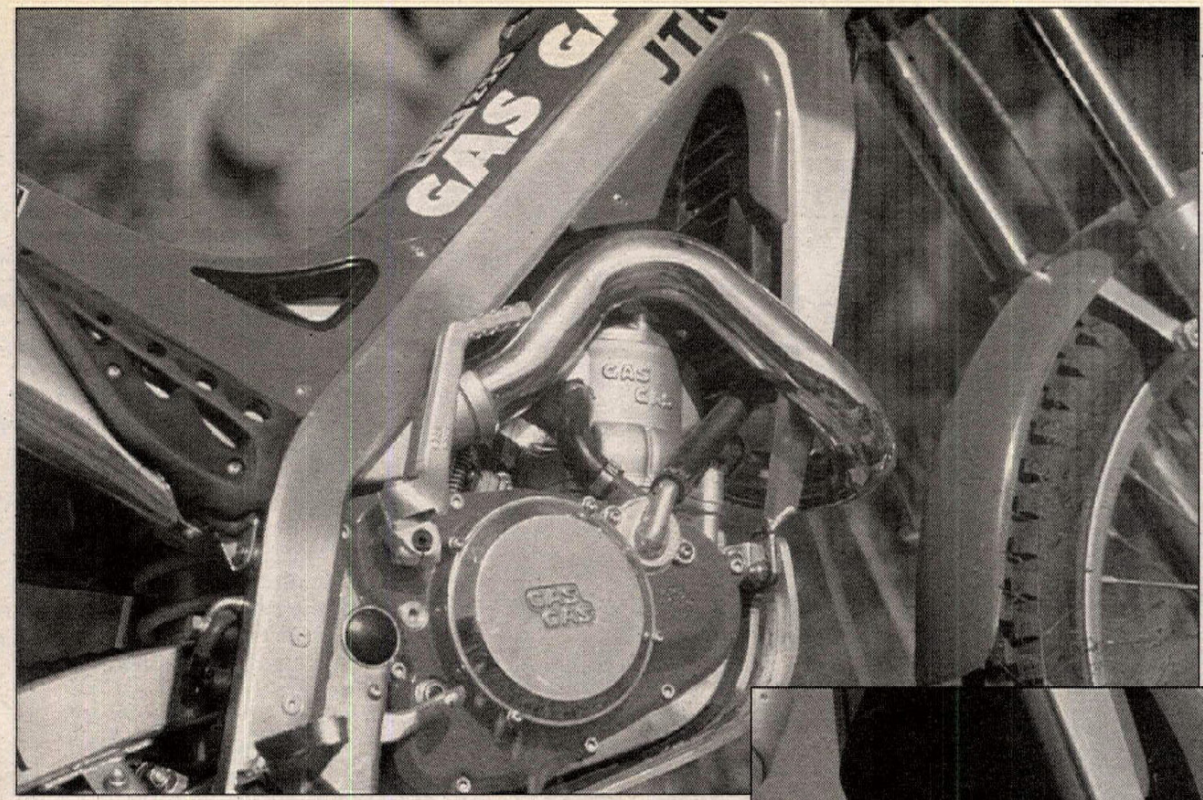
We beg to differ.

The 1996 JTR250 is without a doubt the most impressive 250cc-class offering to roll off of the tiny man-powered production line at the Girona, Spain-based Gas Gas factory. The new bike looks almost exactly like the works bike that Jordi Tarres rode to his record-extending seventh World Championship in '95, and we suspect that the motor delivers a grunt that's on par with Tarres' exceptional skills as well. Sure, Tarres' bike was powered by a one-off 270cc motor, but the power of the new 250cc engine is so improved that one would almost believe that an extra 20cc were crammed inside.

(Right) Seventh-ranked National rider Matt Moore felt that the new Gas Gas was much improved over last year's. He will contest the Nationals aboard a 270cc version. (Below) The 1996 JTR250 looks much like the bike seven-time World Champion Jordi Tarres competed on last season.

SO WHAT'S NEW?

As promised, the same frame style that Tarres used throughout the '95 season was incorporated into the '96 JTR. The smallish, square double downtubes of the past have been replaced by the beefy-looking stamped-aluminum spars. Nestled between the downtubes is a new, larger-volume radiator and air duct. The rest of the frame is all-new as well, with redesigned engine supports and a stronger bash plate. The shock-mount area has been strengthened, and a new integrated rear subframe rounds out the chassis changes. The tiny new subframe replaces last year's removable unit, which was easily damaged in a crash. The new subframe is tucked neat-

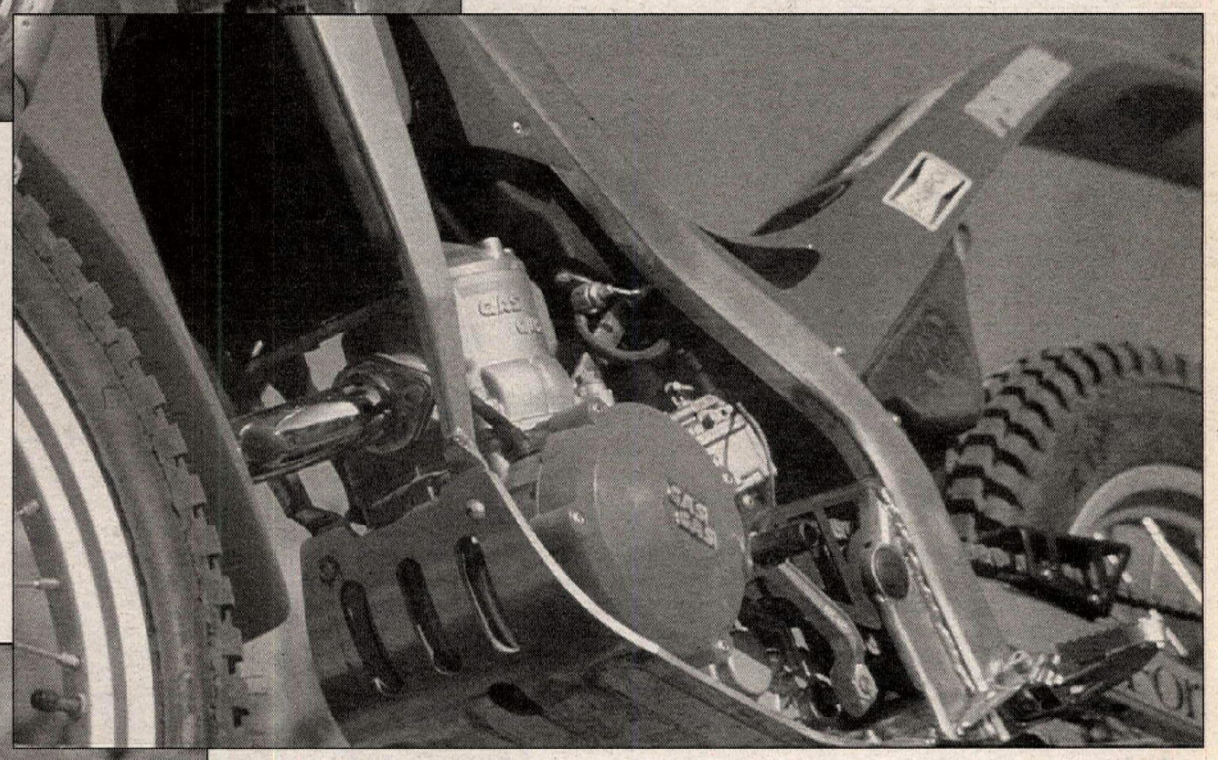


(Left) Several internal changes, a new airbox and revised exhaust system result in a significantly improved motor for '96.
(Below) The new-style frame is much stiffer than last year's. The downtubes are actually stamped from a sheet of aluminum. The bash plate is beefier this year.

ly away under the rear fender, and is not outwardly visible. Gas Gas claims that the new frame design is much more rigid, and yields a more precise feel with less chassis flex.

Enginewise, the cylinder has all-new port timing and the cylinder head features new volume and squish characteristics. An all-new airbox with larger volume and better airflow is mated to the same 26mm Dell'Orto carburetor with new jetting specifications. A revised exhaust pipe and new silencer handle the spent gasses.

As usual, power is put to the ground via a wide-ratio six-speed transmission and a super-smooth hydraulic clutch.



(Below) The subframe is hidden under the rear fender and is less susceptible to crash damage. The longer silencer keeps things quiet, yet doesn't restrict power.
(Below right) Better-looking graphics and an Equus bicycle computer grace the front cowl. No, the computer didn't work for more than five minutes.

Gas Gas-made conventional forks grace the front of the machine, and are held in place by a set of forged aluminum triple clamps. Japanese-made seals replace the leaky Spanish seals of '95. Revised valving in the Boge shock rounds out the suspension package.

Cosmetically, the JTR is changed considerably. In addition to the trick-looking frame, the plastics have been streamlined and also boast less-gaudy graphics. The fuel cell is lower in profile, though it has the same 1.04-gallon capacity, and the cowling that covers it is sleeker as well. Tiny radiator shrouds allow air to pass through the radiator more freely. The rear fender/seat cowl is 2 centimeters lower than last year's and appears to be much more flexy than its predecessor. More flex equals less tendency to break.

The rest of the machine is composed of the usual AJP hubs, wheels and brakes, Megamo handlebars, Michelin tires and an Equus bicycle-style speedometer/odometer computer.

REMARKABLE REPLICA

There's no doubt that the new JTR250 is much improved in comparison to last year's JT250. The engine delivers a snappy, yet tractable power that instills greater confidence in even the meekest of riders. Low-end and midrange power is improved considerably, leading one to believe that the bike *is* actually larger in displacement. The motor chugs along happily at low throttle, yet comes to life when higher revs are needed for steps or splatters. Torquey or explosive - the JT-R motor can easily be described as both - it all depends on your throttle control.

Though it is unchanged, the clutch delivers a better, more progressive feel than last year's. Getting the bike to hook up in low-traction situations requires only a slight slip of the clutch and a careful twist of the throttle.

As delivered, the bike was jetted perfectly for our sea-level Southern California locale. Throttle response was crisp and quick, and the bike never loaded up or fouled a spark plug.

Transmission action was actually better than last year - it wasn't a huge task finding neutral while the bike was running. We had problems with last year's bike jumping out of second gear when the bike wasn't shifted into first, then into second - but the new JTR seems to handle a direct shift from neutral into second with ease.

As claimed, the new chassis is quite a bit stiffer. Hopping the front end on the new bike came much easier than on our older JT250, and the bike had a more precise feel in almost every other situation as well. Suspension action was excellent as usual, as the Gas Gas fork and Boge shock soaked up tiny bumps and huge hits with equal dexterity. Our '95 test bike was one of the earlier units that still came equipped with Paioli forks, which pale in comparison to the new Gas Gas-built legs.

Though we scoffed at the new subframe design when we first took delivery of the bike, we must admit that the design seems to be more practical than the old removable subframe. The old subframe was easily damaged in large crashes, but we've tossed our new bike several times and the rear end has stayed straight and true. The same goes for the rear fender. The delicate-looking piece is actually quite flexible and resists breakage much better than last year's.

As a whole, the new JTR250 stands head and shoulders above its predecessor. In America, trials riders often keep their bikes for several years, waiting for a bike with significant improvements to come along before selling off their trusty steed.

Well, it's about that time.

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Gas Gas JTR250

Specifications

List Price	$5349
Displacement	237.9cc
Engine type	Liquid-cooled, single-cylinder two-stroke
Bore x stroke	71 x 60mm
Carburetion	26mm Dell'Orto
Ignition	Electronic
Transmission speeds	6
Starting system	Kick
Fuel capacity	1.04 gal.
Wheelbase	52.0 in.
Seat height	27.7 in.
Front tire	2.75-21
Rear tire	4.00-18
Front wheel travel	6.8 in.
Rear wheel travel	6.8 in.
Front brake	Disc
Rear brake	Disc
Final drive	Chain
Claimed dry weight	171.6 lbs.

1996 Beta Techno

By Donn Maeda

To the untrained eye, the 1996 Beta Techno looks little different from its two predecessors, but the latest offering from the Italian company is actually quite improved. With the exception of the new Paioli conventional forks that grace the front of the machine, the Beta looks as if it has undergone only color scheme changes, but in actuality, a number of small changes translate into a world of difference.

We had the opportunity to ride both a stock Techno, and one set up for two-time AMA/NATC National Champion Geoff Aaron. Though it was not the actual machine that Aaron will contest the Nationals on, it was what the champ practices on and will use as a backup machine. We were impressed with both machines, and came away even more impressed with Aaron, as the bike he rides is as close to a stock machine as anyone else's. Braking brake discs and pads, Renthal handlebars and sprockets, and an optional throttle tube were the most extensive changes made to Aaron's bike.

(Above) Reigning AMA/NATC National Champion Geoff Aaron tests the Beta Techno's brakes. (Right) It may not look a whole lot different, but the new Beta Techno is much improved over last year's version.

TECHNO-WEENIE STUFF

The biggest news and most obvious update is the new forks. Not only are the new Paiolis conventional in design, they have an ultra-trick titanium-nitride coating on the tubes that has a golden anodized appearance. To the best of our knowledge, Beta is the first manufacturer to feature this expensive coating on a production motorcycle - the process has been used for years on works motocross and trials bikes. The treatment is claimed to provide a more slippery and harder surface, and in turn, less stiction and better forks action. Revised valving in both the forks and Boge rear shock round out the suspension changes.

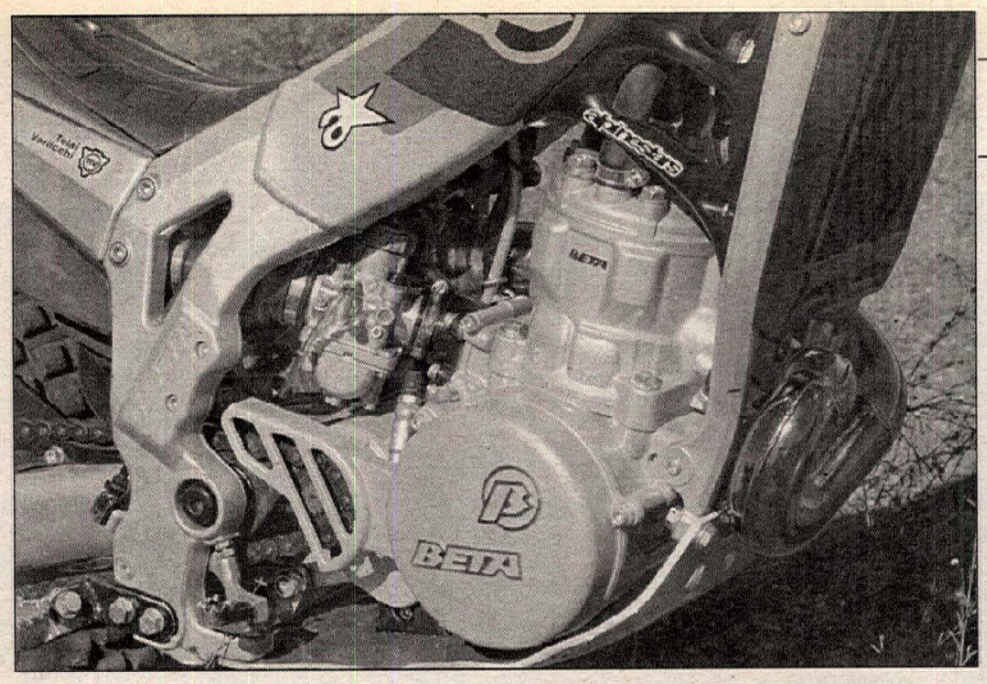
Many changes were made to the motor. When the engine was first introduced two years ago, it was deemed too powerful and violent for most riders. The latest Techno motor is considerably tamer and more rider-friendly. The biggest change is a new variable-spark-advance digital ignition. The unit allows the bike to rev slower, which results in smoother power. A 750-gram-heavier flywheel and a lower compression ratio add to the "chuggability" factor, and the 26mm Mikuni carburetor has been reworked to compliment the other changes. A larger piston in the hydraulic clutch system is claimed to provide better feel and control.

The aluminum frame is unchanged with the exception of 10mm-lower footpegs. Other changes include a new single-piston rear brake caliper, a new front brake lever, a stronger fork brace/fender mount and a new exhaust pipe.

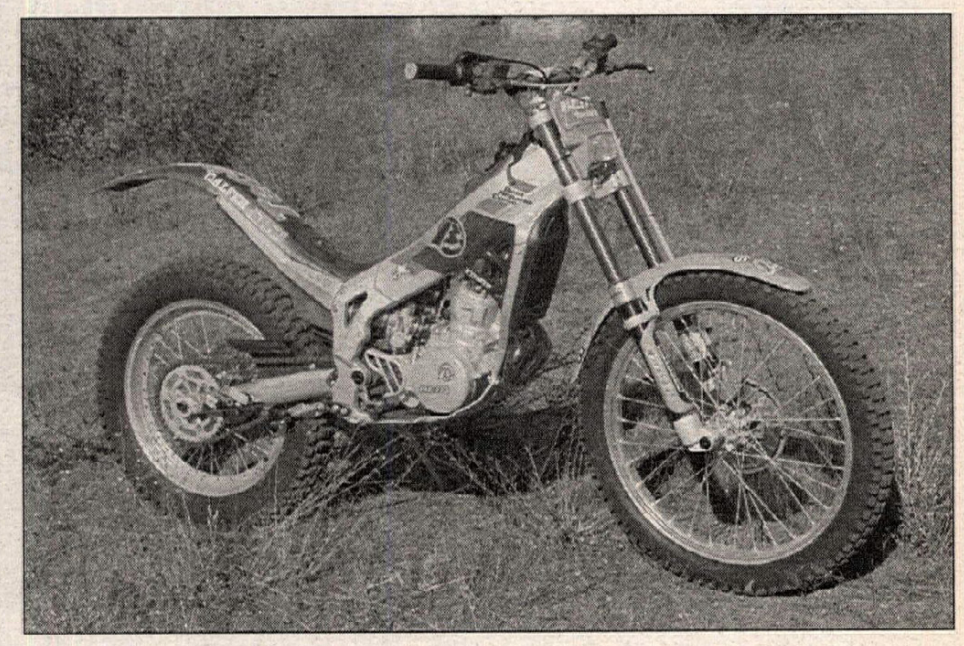
The new Techno features dark-grey bodywork, which is complimented by an orange front fender and disc guard, and orange and purple graphics.

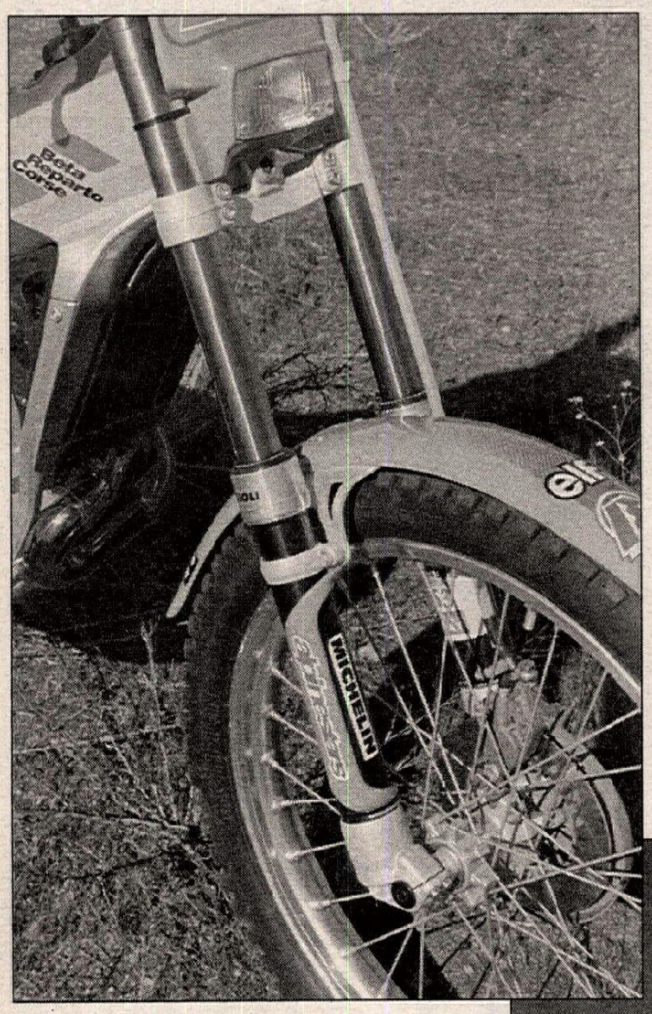
BETWEEN THE TAPES

To our dismay, the Techno still kick-starts on the left side, and although we got the hang of it, we would still prefer a right-side lever. In addition, the little



(Left) The Techno's motor has been "de-tuned" for '96, and actually works much better. The powerband is smooth and user-friendly. (Below) Dark-grey body work and orange accents make the Beta one of the best-looking machines of '96.





(Left) The biggest news are the new Paioli conventional forks. Beta is the first manufacturer to incorporate the gold-colored titanium-nitride coating into production. (Below) Geoff Aaron competes aboard a mildy modified version of the Techno. Better brakes, aluminum handlebars and different gearing are the biggest changes he makes.

rubber pad in the lever lasts only about three kicks before it flies off.

There. All of our complaints our out of the way.

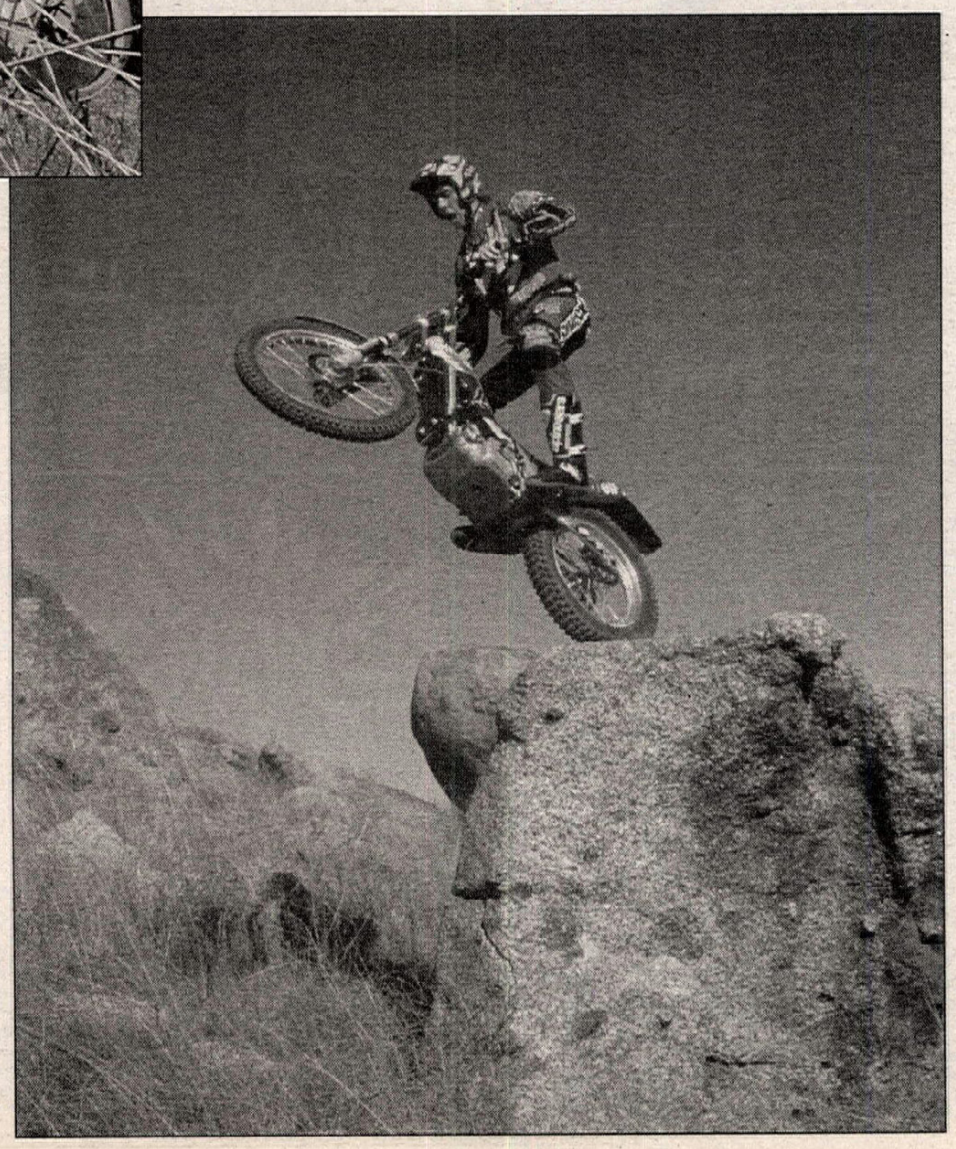
Seriously, that's about all we could find to snivel about with the newest Techno, as the grey and orange machine is truly the sweetest Beta that we've ever ridden. The new motor is amazing in comparison to last year's - the power is smooth and predictable, yet at the same time as peppy as it needs to be. Unlike some smooth and torquey machines, we found that the Beta could be revved up and ridden like a completely different bike if the section required it. Lugging the motor or revving it up produced equally impressive results. Aaron's machine was fitted with the optional "fast" throttle tube, and we preferred it over the stock "slow" tube. The engine has a bulletproof feel, and produced little, if any, engine noise at all. We rode most sections in second gear, but occasionally clicked it into third for large steps or splatters.

Gearbox action is average for a trials bike, but poor in comparison to a motocross bike's. Finding neutral while the bike was running was difficult, but the tranny action was otherwise fairly positive.

The clutch has one of the lightest pulls we've ever encountered, and the action was excellent. The feel at the lever remained constant, even under heavy abuse.

The new forks provide a super-plush ride, and soak up small pebbles and large steps with equal authority, but in all honesty, we couldn't feel the advantages of the titanium-nitride coating. It sure looks trick, though, and we're sure that the gold color alone will sell more than a few Technos. The forks are fairly rigid and mounted better than those on some competing machines. Crashing the bike never resulted in a twisted front end.

The rear suspension was adequate, but hardly ever produced the same result twice in a row when dropping off slabs. Such circumstances could produce either a cushy, painless landing, or a clunky slam that left our arches aching. Obviously, the rear end is super-sensitive to rider input and body positioning. In all other circumstances, however, the back end worked just fine.



Of all the 1996 trials bikes we've ridden to date, the Beta Techno feels as if it has the laziest steering angle. Making tight turns in sand required liberal amounts of body English to keep the front end from plowing. Time on the machine brought familiarity, however, and the sensation faded.

Brake action is excellent up front, and average in the rear. One finger on the front brake lever is all that's needed to send the back end skyward. Aaron's Braking-equipped bike performed much better in this respect, as the front and rear binders were better matched in strength. The Braking discs and pads didn't squeal like the stockers.

While the Techno feels just as slim and maneuverable as any of its competitors, it has the heaviest feel of the bikes tested in this issue. On the other hand, though, the Beta was the most reliable and needed the least amount of corrective maintenance. For comparison's sake, the Beta could be rated as the "Honda CR" of trials machines.

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Beta Techno 250

Specifications

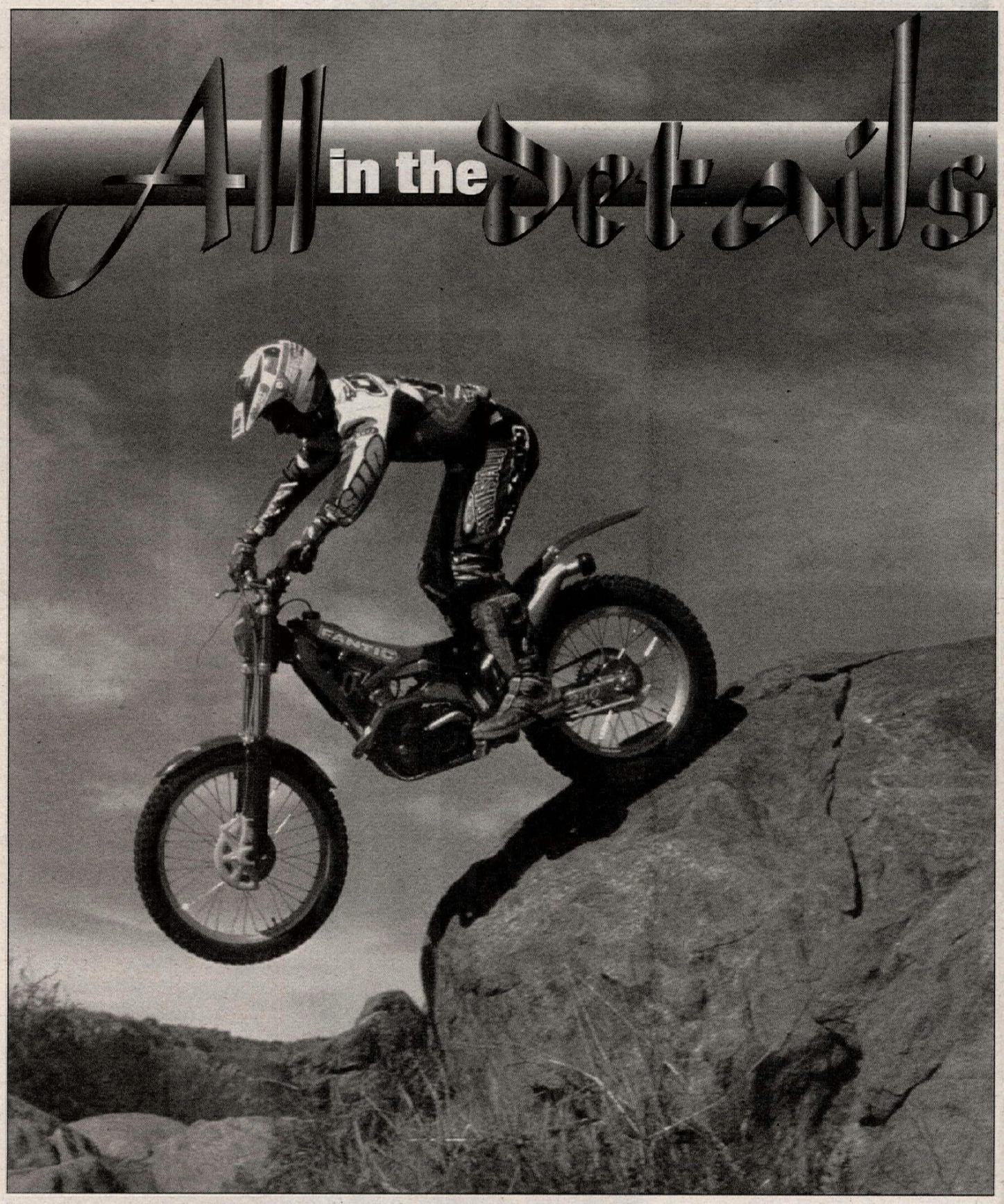
List Price	$5690
Displacement	247.5cc
Engine type	Liquid-cooled, single-cylinder two-stroke
Bore x stroke	72.5 x 60mm
Compression ratio	12.0:1
Carburetion	26mm Mikuni
Ignition	Digital
Transmission speeds	6
Starting system	Kick
Fuel capacity	1.5 gal.
Seat height	26.8 in.
Front tire	2.75-21
Rear tire	4.00-18
Front brake	Disc
Rear brake	Disc
Final drive	Chain
Claimed dry weight	174 lbs.

TEST

1996 Fantic Section 249

By Donn Maeda

All in the Details



Last year the Italian Fantic Motor company debuted an all-new trials machine that was a radical departure from anything that had previously rolled off their production line. In addition to being visually stunning, the Section 249 incorporated a first in trials technology - the use of an adjustable power-valve mechanism. Though such exhaust valves have been in use on motocross and road race machines for many years now, the power valve was all-new to the plonking set.

But as is usually the case with most all-new machines, the '95 Fantic Section 249 had its share of teething problems. The new Section boasted a lightweight, reinforced plastic subframe, and though the piece looked strong enough, some Fantic riders - including us - snapped the unit in half. Various other small glitches created more annoyances: The chain adjusters were poor in design and sometimes slipped, the airbox was difficult to service, and some heavier or more aggressive riders bent the footpegs in their mounting brackets. Such minor problems tarnished what might otherwise have been an excellent machine. All the Section needed was a little refinement.

As always, with time comes refinement, and the 1996 version of the Fantic Section has been much improved. With a full season of competition under its belt, the Fantic factory knew exactly what trouble areas needed to be addressed on the Section. As a result, the latest offering from the factory is a better all-around package, and loyal Fantic riders should have a lot to smile about in '96.

TRICKS FOR '96

Cosmetics aside, the most noticeable change in the '96 machine is the addition of a more conventional aluminum subframe underneath the plastic rear tail section. Apparently, enough riders suffered breakage problems in '95 to convince Fantic that the extra strength of the aluminum was well worth the accompanying weight penalty. But the new subframe also allowed Fantic engineers to redesign the airbox, and the new unit is claimed to be 50 percent larger than last year's. More air volume equals greater low-end power, says Fantic. The new airbox is also easier to service, ending last year's maintenance hassles.

Another change in the chassis is the incorporation of oval tubing in the front cradle section. Last year's tubes were square, and the new round tubes are said to be much stronger. In addition, the new cradle area is built wider to accommodate a larger radiator and coolant reservoir.

The swingarm boasts new chain adjusters which are now mounted on the inboard sides of the arms. The snail-cam adjusters stay attached to the swingarm when the rear wheel is removed, as does the rear brake caliper and bracket.

The adjustable footpeg mounts have also been beefed up, ending last year's bending problems, and the kickstand mount has been reinforced as well.

The 40mm conventional Marzocchi forks have been lightened up slightly, as many of the steel internals used in last year's legs have been replaced with aluminum pieces. In addition, the anodizing on the fork tubes is claimed to be of a higher quality. Out back, the Boge shock has new valving.

Enginewise, very little has actually been changed. A smaller 26mm Dell'Orto is mated to the new larger airbox. New cylinder porting specs and a new set of reed valves round out the motor changes. Like last year, the power valve adjustment is controlled by a cable located below the cylinder exhaust port. Loosening the adjuster and giving the cable some slack causes the valve to close, and the result is a mellower powerband, while tightening it up allows the motor to bark. The exhaust pipe is chromed.

The new bike has blue, red and fluo-

(Left) A radiator filler cap was added to the front of the Section's frame. (Right) Craig preferred the power valve in its most radical setting.

(Above) The new Section has an aluminum-reinforced subframe that's much stronger than last year's plastic version.
(Right) Team Honda of Troy/Sinisalo motocrosser Mike Craig is the latest trials convert.

rescent-yellow plastic and a silver frame and fork tubes. The blue parts of the bike still sport the "carbon fiber" look, and blue grip tape is affixed to each side of the frame. And despite all the "weight training" that the Section underwent in order to make it more sturdy, the '96 version weighs in at 167.8 pounds - just six-tenths of a pound more than the '95. That's refinement for you.

SECTION ONE

From the moment you start the bike, it is apparent that the Fantic is different. The front-swinging kickstarter is unique to the Section, and we actually prefer the easy-to-use lever. Our first impression of the bike was that it felt tall and had a short wheelbase, but with time, that sensation went away. Another feel that we had to become accustomed to was the Section's quick steering. It feels as if the front end has a steeper rake than the rest of today's machines, but - like the chassis feel - that sensation went away in time. Of all the trials machines we've ridden to date, the Fantic Sections require the most getting used to. Once we were familiar with it, however, we were as comfortable on the Section as any other bike.

The motor surprised us. Last year, Fantic factory rider Tommi Ahvala publicly complained that his bike didn't have the power needed to conquer some sections, but we honestly can't see him complaining in '96. Thanks to the larger airbox and smaller carburetor, the new motor oozes low-end power. We initially rode the bike with the power valve set in its stock position, and found the power to be tractable and easy to control. The bike could be chugged through most sections in first, though we preferred second. Under a load, the engine produces an odd whirring noise, but it's hardly an annoyance. The old-style rider in our testing staff preferred the bike in this configuration.

With the cable loosened up, however, the bike comes to life, and the power closely resembles that of the Gas Gas JTR250. Zippy and fast - a complete contrast to the slow setting. Like this, the bike worked best when ridden in second gear - sometimes even in third when sections included splatters or big ledges. Needless to say, the motocross testers in our group preferred this setting.

The hydraulic clutch has a light pull and an excellent feel, and the six-speed transmission has the most positive-feeling transmission of any trials bike we've ever tested. The bike can be started in gear almost as easily as it can in neutral.

The Marzocchi forks are a tad on the harsh side when new, and several hours of riding are needed to break in the legs. Once settled, the forks deliver performance that is on par with anything out there. We really liked the rear suspension action. The back end soaks up everything but the largest hits with poise, and makes it easy to stop and stick when splatting up on to rocks. The back end even held up to Team Honda of Troy/Sinisalo motocross racer Mike Craig's aerial antics. Craig repeatedly launched the bike up a huge rock face, catching at least five feet of air above and beyond the top of the boulder before crashing down, and the suspension never faltered.

The AJP brakes are among the best we've ridden on a trials bike. Though they are from the same manufacturer that supplied the brakes on our Gas Gas and Beta test bikes, they seem to be head and shoulders better. Go figure. The rear brake pedal is tucked well away from potential damage, and the tip is super-easy to find with your boot.

The overall fit and finish of the new Section is worlds better than its predecessor. The inboard chain adjusters and rear brake caliper are tucked well out of the way, and at the same time easy to service. The frame welds are of higher quality, and all of the plastic bodywork fits as it should. A twist of a single Dzus fastener yields easy access to the air filter.

The aluminum rear subframe appears to be super-strong, and supports a thinner version of last year's heavy-duty plastic subframe. Together the double-thick subframe is so strong that we doubt that even *we* could break it. Well, maybe...

But the bottom line is simple: The minor refinements that we wanted to see on the 1995 Section have been made, yielding a vastly improved trials machine. Consequently, we have a feeling that you'll be seeing a lot more of them on the loop this year. Want to get your hands on a Fantic section? The official U.S. importer for Fantic motorcycles is Miller's Motorcycles. They may be reached at 445-B Prado Rd., San Luis Obisbo, CA 93401, 805/543-7358.

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Fantic Section 249

Specification

List Price	$5450
Displacement	249.4cc
Engine type	Liquid-cooled, single-cylinder two-stroke
Bore x stroke	74 x 58mm
Compression ratio	10.4:1
Carburetion	26mm Dell'Orto
Ignition	Electronic
Transmission speeds	6
Starting system	Kick
Fuel capacity	0.89 gal.
Wheelbase	51.6 in.
Seat height	24.0 in.
Front tire	2.75-21
Rear tire	4.00-18
Front brake	Disc
Rear brake	Disc
Final drive	Chain
Claimed dry weight	167.8 lbs.

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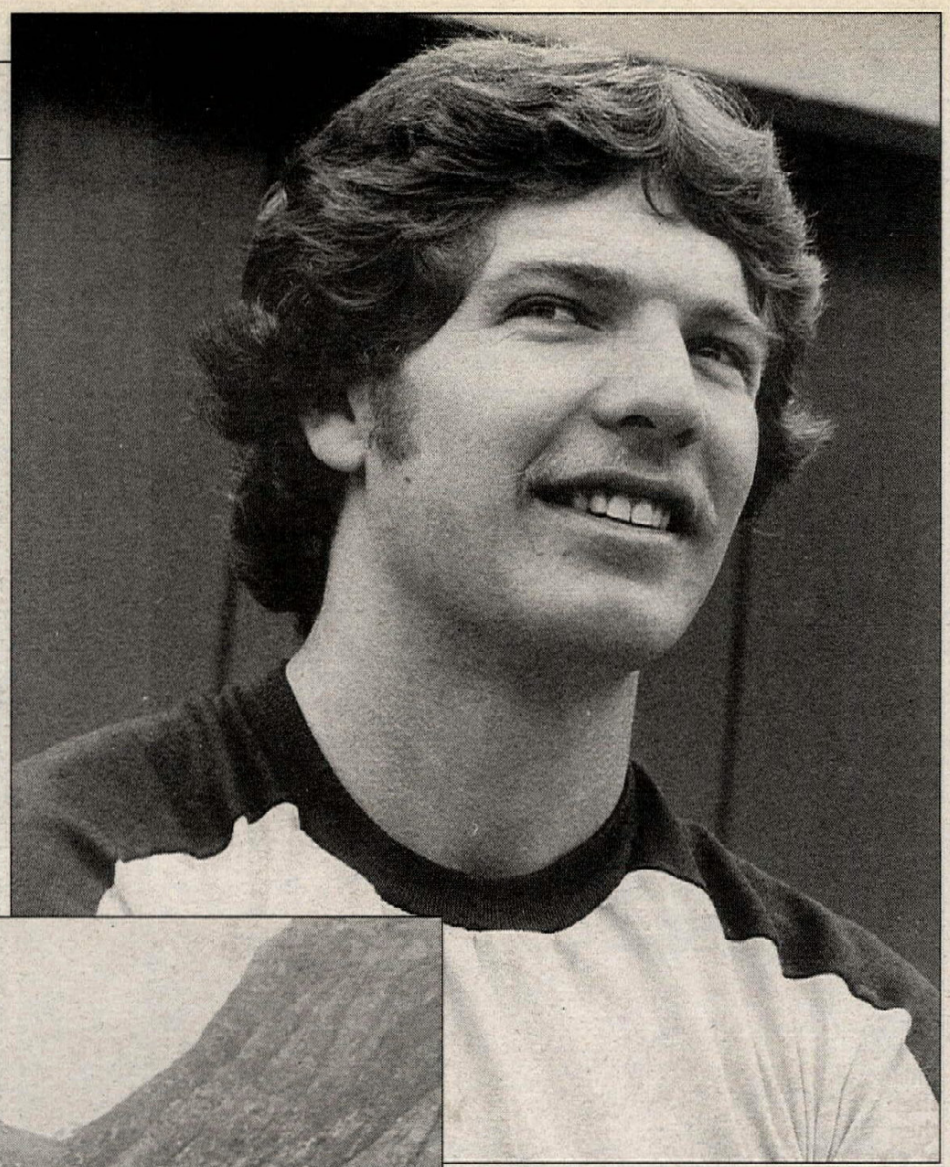

By Martin Belair
Photos by Len Weed

Bernie Schreiber. To many, that names conjures up many fond memories. Memories of the kid from La Crescenta, California, who grew up to become America's first - and only - Trials World Champion. In fact, he was the first American to win an off-road World Championship, period.

From early on, Schreiber displayed an uncanny ability to take on the most demanding sections with few reservations. Those who were fortunate enough to be around during those early years knew that they were seeing something special.

Growing up in La Crescenta, Schreiber had world-class terrain in the form of Big Tujunga Canyon, part of the Angeles Crest National Forest just east of Los Angeles. His early style was loose and aggressive. As he developed into a champion, he kept the looseness and never let himself be buried under the machine-like precision typical of many top riders. His was a more human style, where the struggle was more apparent and the successes more rewarding. It was easy to see that he was having fun.

By the time he turned 18 - the FIM minimum at that time for World Championship Trials - he was more than ready to take on the world. In his World Round debut In Belgium in 1977, he placed an amazing fifth. At the very next round he placed a "world rocking" third. No one had ever blasted to the top of the trials scene like Schreiber did. You were supposed to be an apprentice and work your way up through the ranks. Schreiber became trials' first wonder boy.

Schreiber's style differed from the Europeans' not only visibly, but audibly. Traditionally, trials riders used only as much throttle as needed, but not Schreiber. Revs poured out of his Bultaco as if it were a Pursang and not a Sherpa T. The British press dubbed him "Barging Bernie" for his straightforward riding style.

In his first year, he finished seventh overall, even though he rode only nine of the 12 events.

The 1978 season saw him score his first World Round win - after only 12 starts - in France. He followed it up with a very popular win at the next event in Spain. A few weeks later, Schreiber came back to the States and did what many dream of but very few accomplish - he won a World Round at home. "I remember Pennsylvania like it was yesterday," says Schreiber, who returned to Europe and won the next event in Italy and went on to finish third overall in his first full year on the World Championship Series.

(Left) Bernie Schreiber in action at the 1980 Scottish Six Days Trial. It was one of his last rides aboard a factory Bultaco.

In 1979, Schreiber won the World Championship by dethroning three-time World Champion Yrjo Vesterinin of Finland. Schreiber had given himself a deadline of becoming World Champion by the age of 22, and he was two years ahead of schedule, with enough youth and talent to win at least two more titles.

But then, the strike-torn Bultaco factory closed its doors and left Schreiber without a ride. He was hired by trials newcomer Italjet, who promised to build him a bike "just like" his beloved Bultaco. In 1980, on a bike that was in essence a Bultaco dressed in Italjet colors, he won a record six events, but two mechanical failures robbed him of what would have been his second World Championship.

In 1981 things got worse, as his bike became more an Italjet and less a Bultaco - heavier and less powerful. Saddled with this less-than-satisfactory mount, he sank to sixth and failed to win even one event. In 1982 he signed with SWM and immediately shot back into second for two consecutive years, but by now Belgium's Eddy Lejune was in control. Try as he might, Schreiber could not beat the Belgian.

Today, Schreiber lives in the town of Albertville, France, nestled in the French Alps, with his wife, Yannick, and their two daughters, Jessica, 9, and Beverly, 6. Schreiber is the International Marketing Manager for Answer Products in Europe, and his position keeps him very involved in the ever-growing mountain-bike industry. Now a family man nearing 40, Schreiber is not really one to reminisce, but to us he will always be the kid who went to Europe and stood the world on its ear.

How long have you lived in Europe? Are you fully Europeanized, or is there still some American left in you?
Oh, I think half and half. I came over when I was 18 and I'm 38 now, so I've been here longer than there. I think that there is still a lot of American left in me. I think that there always will be. I work with Americans all the time and I enjoy it. Over here it's just a different way, people here work to live and live to eat, and in the States you eat to live and live to make money. It's just a different philosophy, in many parts of America, anyway. Being American has been a great foundation, I think America is a great country, I still love it. Americans are great, they're creative and crazy and they get the job done. They just do it. Just shut up and go do it. (Laughs) I think that is my niche over here; I'm kind of the "can do" player in the European mountain bike market for some of the U.S. companies. I've learned to deal with the Europeans after so many years of competing with them, working with them and being in their country. From Spain to Germany they are as different as people from Los Angeles to New York.

What's a day in the life of Bernie Schreiber like nowadays?
A basic day? (Laughs) You want to know, eh? Running in the morning, then on the phone, on the computer, then lots more phone time. I work late at night because with Answer Products, it's 6 p.m. here when they open their doors there. I'm always in communication with someone in the U.S. or somewhere else. Working late is good, the kids are asleep and it's quiet around here.

When did you last go to a World Round?
I went to the French round last June. My parents were over for a visit and we went with my brother-in-law (1981 World Champion) Giles Burgat. I spoke with Martin Lampkin and Malcolm Rathmel and Charlie Coutard. It was great to see those guys. We had a good time. The sections were crazy! Lots of spectators. I really enjoyed seeing all the people and watching the riders. That was the last trial I've been to. Before that it had been, I don't know, about eight years. It's changed a lot. Giles and I were both very surprised. He hadn't seen a trial in years either.

Do you have any desire to compete again?
I still run and mountain bike and try to stay in good shape, but I don't have much desire to compete anymore. I think maybe I was in it too much. It's like I went way too far - so far that there is no return. I don't even think I could compete against Ryan Young today. The techniques have already gone so far that I'm not even sure I could go out and ride an event at the National level.

What impressed you the most at the French World Round?
I was impressed by the whole event. I look at it now through a marketing perspective now, and I think it's incredible. It's like watching a GP or a supercross. The riders are doing incredible things and the bikes are incredible, especially what's been done with their suspension and weight. It's very technical. The bikes have become almost like mountain bikes in size. The bikes inspire me to give it a try, you know, just go and have fun on one.

What do you think about Jordi Tarres winning seven World Championships?
I think its just incredible. To be honest with you, I can't believe it. Just incredible.

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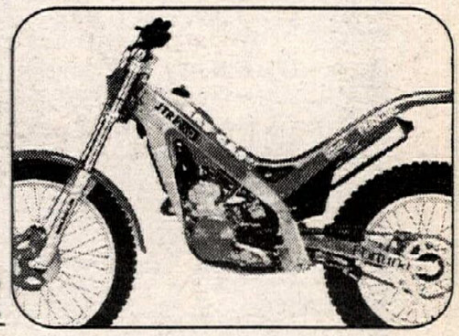

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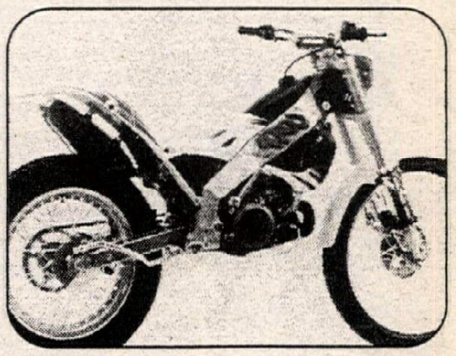

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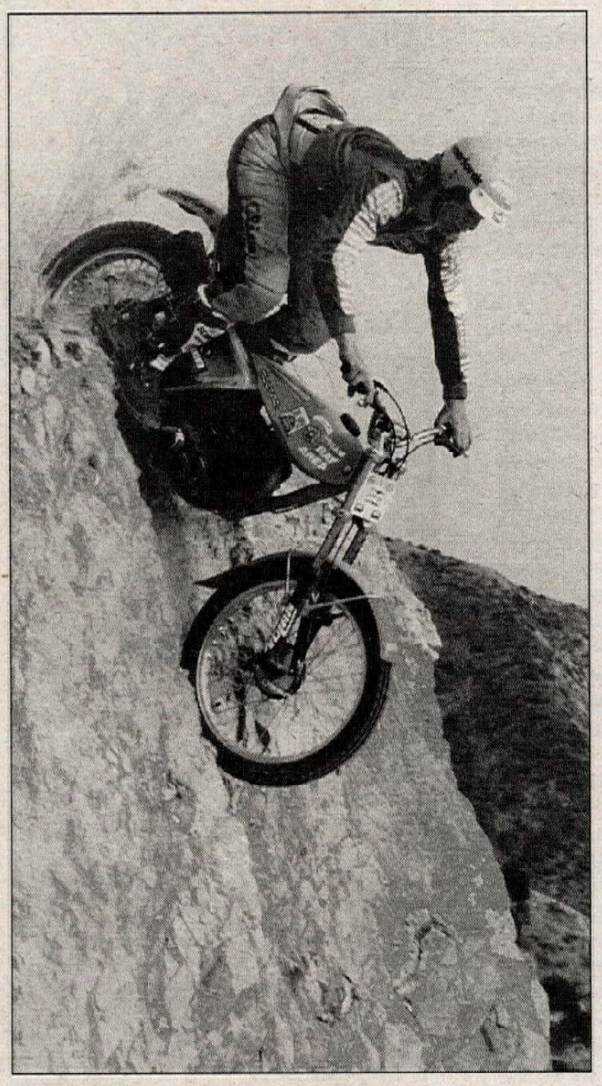

(Above) Today, Bernie Schreiber (left) builds Kamikaze Mountain Bikes, specialized downhill racing and land speed record bicycles. He is also the European Answer Products liaison.
(Left) Schreiber grew up near Big Tujunga Canyon in Southern California, and had many excellent practice areas.

Did you know that he earned over $1 million last year?
Wow! I hadn't heard that the numbers were that high. It must be coming from his sponsors because I'm sure Gas Gas couldn't justify that amount. The Indoor events is what it's all about. They've brought in the big sponsors like Coca Cola and lots of television coverage. Hey, the guy is good. He works at it, and I think he deserves it. I could never understand why Kenny Roberts could make a million a year while I was making fifty thousand. If a guy can make that kind of money, I think it's great.

What do you think of the modern riding techniques?
These new techniques require a foundation of skills that come from bicycle trials just to even think of competing at the World level. It's a whole new style of practice. A guy could start at home practicing on a bicycle and grow his way into the sport and be successful in the indoors even if he can't ride as well in the outdoor events. The new style has even influenced the development of the bikes. Now the motorcycles are created around the bicycle trials style.

From your perspective, has trials become more enjoyable to watch?
On the World Championship level it has become a tremendous spectator sport. It's so hard. It's unbelievable! It's like watching Formula 1. There are 10 or 15 guys that are really worth watching. I love to see the progress in the sport. I think I enjoy it so much because I understand it. On the other hand it's not even the same sport I used to ride.

During the '70s and '80s the United States produced a World Champion and many top riders who were able to score World Championship points. What do you think the reasons were?
With all Americans who compete in an international sport, be it trials or mountain bikes, the challenge is to actually pick up your bags and go to where the competition is and live there and work at it every day with the best. I think that one of the advantages that we had in the

'70s was the number of top riders we had in a concentrated area. In Southern California every weekend we were riding very difficult events or practicing together. Then when we went to Europe, it was a whole new level. I think that there are some riders who do well locally and some who can progress to the National level and a few who can make it to the International level. Internationally is a whole different ball game - you've got to go out there and compete *with* those guys if you want to compete *against* them. It's hard for anybody to do it. It was hard for me. It's tough for a European to come and compete in the States, but it's even harder for an American to go and do it in Europe.

What drove you to become a World Champion?

I was very fortunate. Yes, I was driven - I think that a lot of that desire was instilled in me by my parents. They supported me a lot. All the way, my mother and father were a major reason for my success, even through to today. I also had a great love for trials. Man, that was my thing. It was the only thing I knew how to do. It was either that or work in my dad's machine shop, and I felt better out riding in Big Tujunga Canyon. Europe was a real experience, it was exciting, it was different. I enjoyed the competition. It never really scared me. Some people have a fear of that. I never felt that fear. I also had different ways of approaching the sections - I attacked them. People say I was always riding on the back wheel. It was just my way.

You introduced many new techniques to World Championship competition. Do you feel that you were the pioneer of modern trials?

Oh, I don't think that I was the only one. Besides myself, the other guy who was very technical was (six-time National Champion) Toni Gorgot. He was an excellent technical rider. He was also riding on the back wheel a lot and he used the bunny hop a lot. We were in the same era but it was not something I copied from him or he from me. We both came from areas of dry terrain and dry terrain creates technical riding. At the time the British were dominating trials, but they had muddy techniques and Vesty (three-time World Champion Yrjo Vesterinen), being from Finland, also used the muddy style. The indoors were becoming more important and being dry, they encourage a more spectacular style. What I tried to do the most was learn how to make a turn a tighter turn, without stopping forward motion. Then after they changed the rules and allowed stops it didn't matter if you could do a floater or not. All these changes came around the same time, I was just in the middle of that wave.

Who was your greatest rival?

I couldn't name just one. Marland Whaley was probably the person I had the most battles with. We rode against each other from the time we were kids in Southern California right into the World Championships. Vesterinen was tough; taking the World Championship from him was difficult. It was different from Marland - he was a competitor, but with Vesty it was hard... cold, you know? Eddy Lejune was tough for me personally, because it got to where no matter what I did, I could not beat him.

What was your sweetest victory?

Well winning the 1982 Scottish Six Day Trial was very important for me because the sport was still very British at that time and I knew that the Brits would never respect me until I won it. My World Championship in 1979 was something special, though, something I'll never forget. CN

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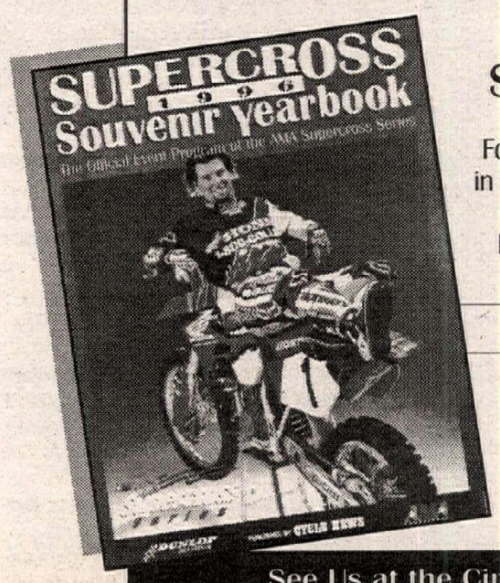

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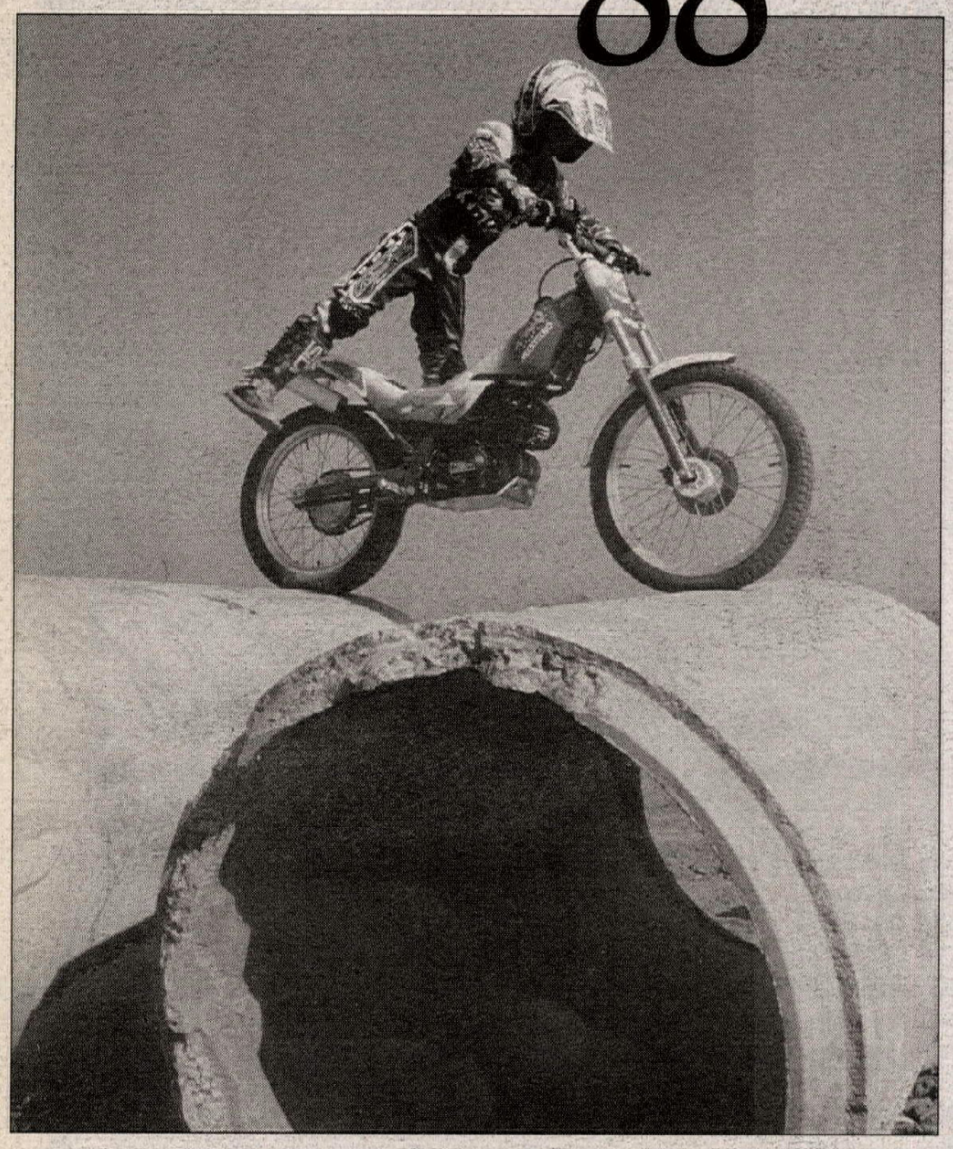
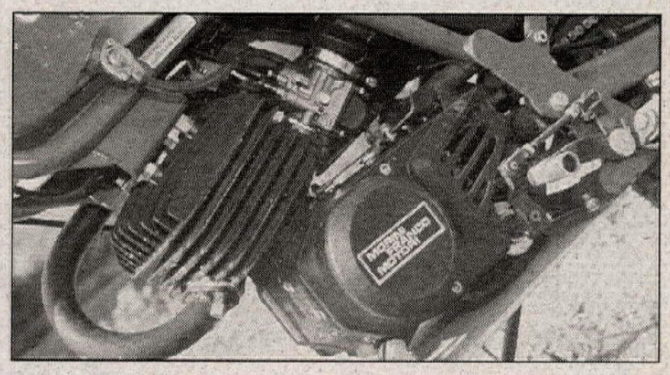
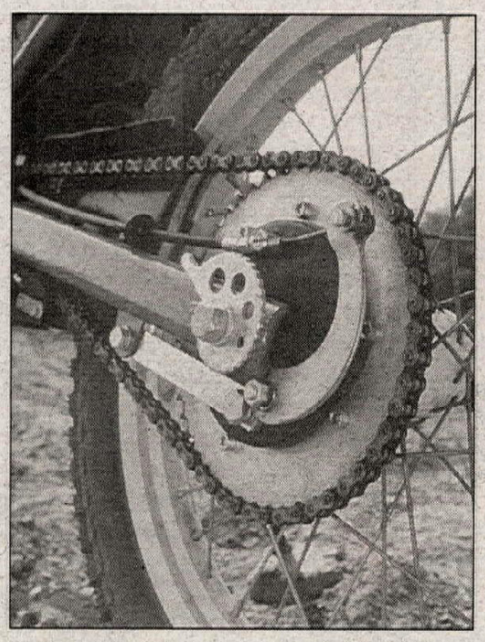


(Right) An 80cc Morini motor powers the Amigo. In stock condition the engine isn't very trials-friendly, but the Tryals Shop adds flywheel weights that bring it around. (Left) Mini-motocrosser Christopher Nishimura adapted quickly to the Amigo 80, but said that it was "slow compared to my Kawasaki KX60."





(Left) The Amigo's drum is primitive, but strong enough for pint-sized riders. (Below) The front disc provides adequate stopping power.

By Donn Maeda
Photos by Joe Bonnello

Though the sport of observed trials is currently enjoying a surge of popularity in the United States, there have traditionally been no easy ways for younger riders to get involved. After all, what options does a mini-sized rider have? Ride a full-sized bike? Though we've seen it done successfully by Justin Oakley, a pint-sized Intermediate-class rider in the Northern California area who rides a Montesa Cota 250 with much success, the combination of a smaller rider and a big bike usually isn't a great idea. Though Gas Gas USA sells 125 and 160cc versions of their JT line, the bikes are not physically any smaller than a 250.

Another option is to convert a mini motocross bike. Once again, we've seen that done with success, but the results weren't pretty. Championship-class rider Matt Moore showed us photos of a converted Yamaha YZ80 that he learned on, and the bike closely resembled some of the machines seen in those Mad Max films.

Apparently, Woody Dame and Mike Komer of the Tryals Shop saw the need for a scaled-down machine, and have begun to import the Amigo 80 from Spain. The bike is designed in England and built in Spain, but is powered by an air-cooled 80cc two-stroke Morini engine from Italy.

The Morini motor is fed by a 16mm Dell'Orto carburetor, and puts the power to the ground through a four-speed transmission. The Tryals Shop adds a set of flywheel weights and a different head gasket, which gives the small-bore motor more torque, thus making the bike more trials-friendly.

The motor is nestled in a unique cradle frame that wraps around and above the engine. The motor itself is secured to the frame with a heavy-duty plate that is bolted to the cylinder head. An aluminum skid plate protects the underside of the engine.

The Amigo's suspension is actually pretty trick. Conventional forks and a single rear shock with linkage handle the bumps, while a front disc and rear drum brakes do the stopping. The bike rolls on a 19-inch front and 17-inch rear wheel.

Needless to say, none of the testers on the *Cycle News* staff fell within the Amigo's ideal rider height or weight limitations, but almost every one of them tried to sneak in a ride on the micro machine.

Instead of punishing the poor little machine under our bulk, we recruited a 10-year-old Kawasaki KX60 rider to try his hand at the "ballet" of motorcycling. With the 55-pound rider aboard, the 80cc engine seemed to have enough power to pull him up most obstacles he was daring enough to try. For kicks, we removed the flywheel weights to see how the bike would run unrestricted, and were surprised at how the motor came to life. With the weights removed, the Amigo would make a decent trail riding bike - it's pretty quick.

The only annoyance was the exhaust note emitted by the small motor. The primitive silencer hardly quiets the engine at all, and the bike is more annoying than a gardener's leaf blower at 7 a.m.

As for the rest of the machine, well, let's just say that the bike's construction is on the primitive side. Though quite modern in design, many of the bike's parts look like they're off a vintage bike. The upper triple clamp appears to have been stamped from a sheet of steel, and many of the fasteners look like they came from a hardware store.

The hydraulic front brake seemed to have good, sufficient power, but don't expect to see Junior doing any killer nose wheelies. The rear brakes were marginal, at best.

Still, in spite of all our critical observations, it took more than a few requests to get our pint-sized test rider to park the Amigo. After all, at 10 years old, who notices quality of construction? Throughout the rest of the afternoon, our little racer seemed more fascinated with the Amigo than his tricked-out, high-tech KX60.

Go figure.

Interested in the Amigo 80? It is imported into the United States exclusively by the Tryals Shop. For more information, contact them at RD 1 Rt. 38, Locke, NY 13092, 315/497-2904.

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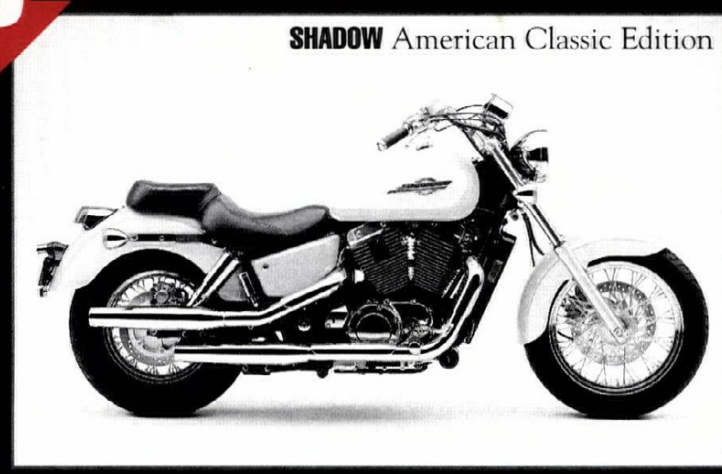

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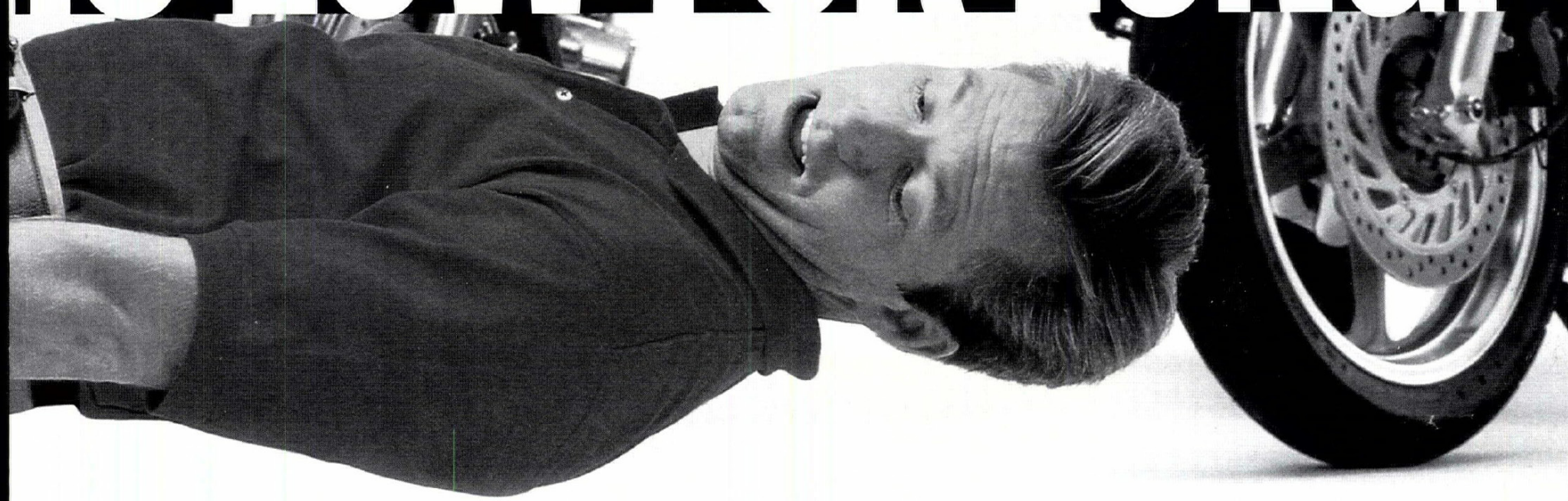

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(Left) Rodney Smith opened the AMA National Hare Scrambles Series with a convincing win at Hollister Hills.
(Below) Smith's teammate Steve Hatch (8) rode a strong race, finishing second overall in the Hollister mud.

Smith all the way

By W.H. Spencer
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Team Suzuki's Rodney Smith and Steve Hatch provided an all-yellow one-two punch at the opening round of the AMA National Hare Scrambles Championship at the muddy Hollister Hills State Vehicle Recreation Area. Heavy rains prior to the event left the ground saturated, obviously to Smith's liking.

Smith, for all intents and purposes, led the race from start to finish, while Grand National Cross Country Champion Scott Plessinger gave chase most of the way. Plessinger's bid for the lead, however, was put to rest when he smacked his head on a low-hanging tree branch. He surrendered second place to Hatch but managed to hold on to third at the finish. Finishing fourth was Brian Garrahan followed by motocrosser Rich Taylor, brother Patrick Garrahan and Cole Marshall, who looked to have fourth place in the bag until crashing late in the race. Eighth place went to Jason Dahners, while Eric Mashbir and Matthew Stavish completed the top 10.

The race nearly went over the time limit of three and a half hours when referee Pete Francini lived up to his words at the rider's meeting that the race would go seven laps. His course chaser, former dirt tracker Mark Smith, had done a 28-minute lap and figured that the AA riders would be much faster and so require seven laps to complete a minimum of two and a half hours. Rodney Smith returned to camp in over 30 minutes on the first lap, then had about an extra two miles to join the 12-mile course and would then run times of 27 to 28 minutes.

At the two-and-a-half-hour mark, the Suzuki factory troops, led by Mark Hyde, were tearing down the pit, figuring on the racing going six laps and were not happy or completely ready when the checkered flag didn't appear and Smith stopped for a splash of fuel. Nevertheless, Smith easily won with a minute and a half to spare over Hatch. "We were just sort of surprised," said Hyde. "We had torn down the pit stand figuring on just six laps, but it will be okay." The race officially took three hours and 16 minutes to complete.

"We are real happy to be able to start out the season this way," said Smith from the winner's circle. "We haven't had much time to test yet and these bikes are basically pretty stock, but my Suzuki ran great. The track was plenty tough, and right at the end it looked like it might start raining again and I wanted to get done.

"I got the number-three plate last year, but I want that number-one plate back, so this is a great way to start, especially in front of my family and with these local fans that I've known for so long. We had to stop three times for fuel, while Scott (Plessinger) wouldn't need to do that, but I had plenty in reserve if I got pushed at the end. I just wasn't sure about how the weather would work, but it was great."

Smith plans on finishing out the National Hare Scrambles Series. "My main thrust for the season will be this and the National Reliability (Enduro) Series and try to hit as many GNCC events as possible."

Hatch, the 1994 National Enduro Champion, was pleased with his second-place performance. "It was pretty muddy out there, but I had fun doing wheelies," joked Hatch, who used the event as a tuneup for the upcoming opening round of the AMA National Enduro Series in Coalinga, California. "This riding is almost identical to the Clear Creek area and being out here the past two months, living and riding with Rodney and having a great bike - well-prepared by Hank Tyre - is much better than subzeros back in New York."

(Above) Scott Plessinger was running second before smacking his head on a tree branch. He still finished third overall.
(Right) The top three: (left to right) Plessinger, Smith and Hatch.

Plessinger's third-place finish left him looking a bit haggard after having his bell rung. "I hit my head on a tree and jammed my neck, and that cost me," he said. "I just couldn't get it together, but this is a lot better start for me. I was running second when I did it, and Steve caught me and I just couldn't get back into it. We'll head home and get ready for the next round."

The start was delayed a bit as the track length changed. The original 20 miles had to be shortened as the prior week's rain forced some areas to be shut off, and so a track of 12 miles was prepared, literally overnight by the P&J Promotions crew. Some 38 riders were in the first row when the shotgun went off and it was Smith and Plessinger out of the "gate" first. At the grass-track area. Smith took the lead by just a few seconds, and they joined the regular course and blasted by the paddock area before a vocal crowd of nearly 500 fans who braved the weather.

Smith's plan was to pit every other lap, on the opposite lap of Hatch, while Plessinger pitted every third lap. Plessinger was no more than a minute behind at the end of the first full lap with Hatch close behind him and Cole Marshall in fourth ahead of Brian Garrahan, Taylor Mashbir and Dahners. Paul Funaro was next in line, followed by Pete Piantinada and Rob Kopp.

The next lap saw Smith in the pits for about eight seconds and Plessinger nearly going by. Hatch would close up on the next lap and when Plessinger pitted, Hatch took over second, only to lose it on the next round of pit stops. Marshal was about two minutes up on Brian Garrahan on lap four with Taylor another minute back, while Patrick Garrahan moved up to sixth over Dahners and Mashbir. Kopp held his own in 10th with Stavish moving up to 11th over Mark Kerling and Funaro.

"I've run the District 36 championship for eight years," said Mashbir, "and I think it's time to hand the reins over to the young guys."

Smith had a two-minute lead on lap five with Hatch now in second but less than a minute ahead of third-place Plessinger. Marshall was a bit over two minutes behind in fourth overall with Brian Garrahan, Taylor and Patrick Garrahan continuing in the same time frame.

Mashbir would remain in eighth for the duration, nearly three minutes behind Patrick Garrahan, but stay about the same ahead of Kopp and Stavish, while Funaro would get back a spot on Kerling. Rod Goehring finished 13th marking his first ride with the "big boys" after topping the C and B divisions in successive years.

Eric Ducray would be 14th overall, while former D-36 champ Ron Naylor, who came out of a two-year retirement riding a Bill Woolman-prepped Husaberg, finished 15th. Kopp dropped back to 16th at the end, finishing ahead of Erik Kohler, Curt Wilcox, Mark Vanderpool and Eric Von Urff, the first Vet A rider. CN

Hollister Hare Scrambles
Hollister, California
Results: February 4, 1996 (Round 1)

O/A: 1. Rodney Smith (Suz); 2. Steve Hatch (Suz); 3. Scott Plessinger (KTM); 4. Brian Garrahan (Kaw); 5. Rich Taylor (Hon); 6. Patrick Garrahan (Kaw); 7. Cole Marshal (Hon); 8. Jason Dahners (KTM); 9. Eric Mashbir (Hon); 10. Matthew Stavish (KTM); 11. Mark Kerling (Suz); 12. Paul Funaro (Hon); 13. Rodney Goehring (Hon); 14. Eric Ducray (Hon); 15. Ron Naylor (Hbg); 16. Robert Horton (KTM); 17. Rob Kopp (Kaw); 18. Erik Kohler (Hon); 19. Curt Wilcox (Hon); 20. Mark Vanderpool (Kaw).

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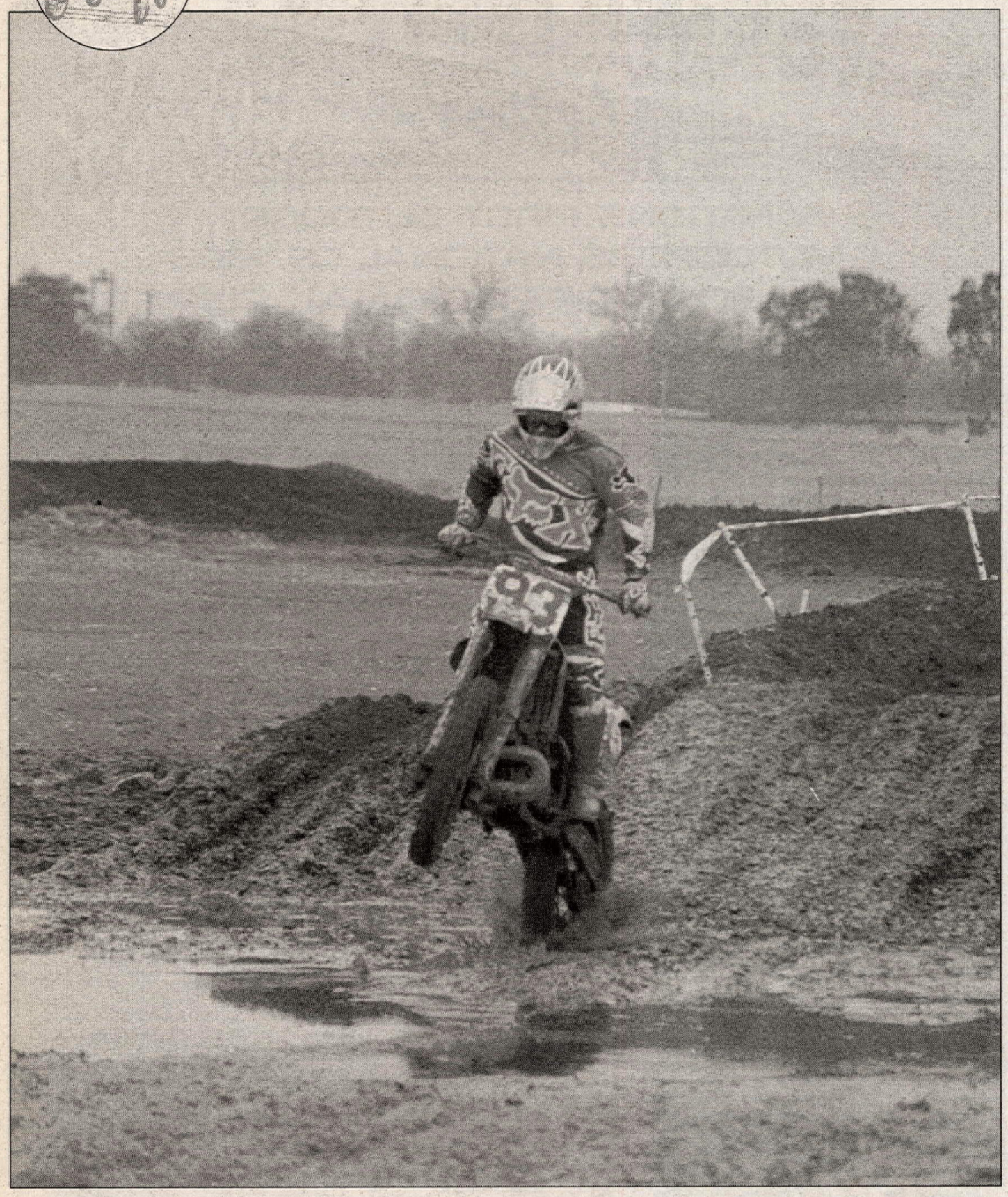


Mudbath

By John Silva

SACRAMENTO, CA, FEB. 3

Spud Walters claimed he was "not a great mud rider" but nonetheless racked up valuable CMC/MSR Golden State National series points by slip-sliding through the tough competition at a wet Sacramento Raceway to take the 125cc Pro win and post a respectable fourth in the 250cc Pro class. Walters was arguably the smoothest rider on the track, but was kept from a pro sweep by the omnipresent Golden State star Rick Ryan, who finishing first in the 250cc contest, in addition to a second-place finish behind Walters in the 125cc Pro class.

Pre-event rains had turned the simple Sacramento layout into a formidable challenge, although only a few sprinkles fell during race day. In the morning practice and early motos the clay-based track surface was saturated and standing water was abundant. Just staying upright was the biggest worry for most riders, and mud-related failures were commonplace.

By the first 125cc Pro moto, conditions had improved slightly, with some raceable lines appearing. Just off the groove, however, was tough going. Finding traction off the start remained elusive for many, including Walters.

"I spun really bad off the gate, and going into the first turn I was about midpack," said the Suzuki rider. "A group of riders went down and I avoided them, which put me about third."

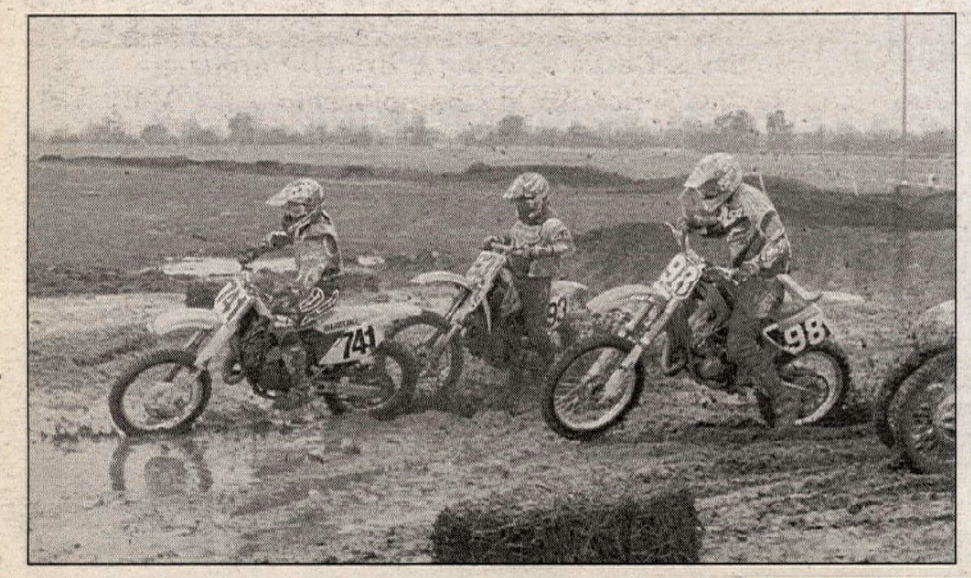
Pat Gomm got a great start, but slid out in the second turn, handing third to Walters. A few turns later, Walters took advantage of another mishap.

"Esposito went down, and then (Tyler) Hummel was there (in front of me)."

Hummel had started well, and led the early going as he muscled his Yamaha around the track, occasionally losing time by drifting off-line into the power-robbing mud soup that tried to form "berms."

"It's drying some, but it's still slick. Actually, it's a lot of fun," said Hummel. "You can't hit the outside line, though, or you sink into the mud. The berms are

(Left) Suzuki-mounted Rick Ryan nabbed top honors in the 250cc Pro class at the muddy CMC Golden State Nationals.



(Above) Pre-event rains soaked Sacramento Raceway Park, making downed riders a common sight. (Left) Shane Esposito (741), Rick Ryan (93) and Scott Myers (98) battle during 125cc Pro action.

way soft. Fortunately, I'm a big guy - 210 pounds, six-foot-three - so I can muscle my way out. I'm really too big for a 125, maybe too big for the sport!"

Racing around in third was new pro Dennis Kritzer, but Scott Myers found his way around when Kritzer bogged in a berm. Rick Ryan gassed up to challenge Kritzer next, taking over fourth after a brief battle.

Out front, Hummel and Walters raced away from the pack, with Walters trying every move possible within the confines of the "blue groove." Walters finally found his way passed Hummel coming into the white-flag lap.

"I started riding a little smoother toward the end," Walters said. "(The) first couple of laps I was pretty tense, but I relaxed after Hummel made a few bobbles. I saw behind me we had a good lead, and I just wasn't going to settle for second."

Walters took the win followed by Hummel, Myers, Ryan and Kritzer.

In the second moto, Walters grabbed the holeshot, with Ryan and Myers in tow. The top three stayed close together as they pulled away from the rest of the field, with Chris Neal running fourth and Hummel fifth. Hummel took over fourth midrace, while a number of midpack riders suffered mechanical problems or physical failures and limped around the track, trying to salvage some points.

Out front, Walters picked up the pace, and pulled away for a convincing win. "The track was drying out," was Walters' matter-of-fact explanation.

Walters was chased to the flag by Ryan, Myers, Hummel, and Neal.

In the 250cc Pro race, Hummel won the first moto over Ryan and Gomm, with Walters and Myers fourth and fifth, respectively.

In the second 250cc moto, Ryan took the early lead followed closely by Myers and Walters. Pat Gomm was running fourth before he crashed hard in a deep mudhole, and came up sporting a head-to-toe mud coat. The spill dropped Gomm back to 10th place, but a determined ride brought him up to finish a respectable seventh.

Out front, Ryan took the win over Myers, Walters, Hummel, and Mark Klausser. CN

Sacramento Raceway Park
Sacramento, California
Results: February 3, 1996

60 (9-11): 1. Brandon Layton (Kaw); 2. A.J. Perez (Kaw); 3.Matt Hall (Kaw).
60 (0-8): 1. Ryan Dalton (Kaw); 2. Adam Kawalzyck (Kaw); 3. Ryan Montgomery (Kaw).
80 BEG: 1. Josh Rytter (Yam); 2. Vincent Blair (Suz); 3. Matthew McCrummins (Suz).
80 (12-13): 1. Ryan Morais (Yam); 2. Jesse Olson (Hon); 3. Shane Kelley (Yam).
80 (14-16): 1. Nick Mason (Suz); 2. Dustin Miller (Hon); 3. Mike Patterson (Kaw).
80 (7-11): 1. Robert Harold (Yam); 2. Brandon Layton (Yam); 3. Jimmy Nelson (Suz).
125 BEG: 1. Ryam Freeman (Suz); 2. Nimolai Bach-Anderson (Yam); 3. Rob Dubato (Kaw).
125 JR: 1. Stan Lundquist (Suz); 2. Cory Morais (Yam); 3. Jimmy Totten (Hon).
125 INT: 1. Cliff Cook (Hon); 2. Tyler Evans (Suz); 3. Jeff Northrup (Kaw); 4. Jarrad Fisher (Suz); 5. Craig Humphrey (Suz).
125 PRO: 1. Spud Walters (Suz); 2. Rick Ryan (Suz); 3. Scott Myers (Kaw); 4. Tyler Hummel (Yam); 5. Chris Neal (Suz).
250 BEG: 1. Rick Crenshaw (Kaw); 2. Lou Lopez (Kaw); 3. Tammy Parker (Kaw).
250 JR: 1. Cory Morais (Yam); 2. John Matalamaki (Kaw); 3. Zeb Armstrong (Yam).
250 INT: 1. Donavan Mitchel (Yam); 2. Jordan Lenherartson (Hon); 3. Craig Humphrey (Suz).
250 PRO: 1. Rick Ryan (Suz); 2. Tyler Hummel (Yam); 3. Scott Myers (Kaw); 4. Spud Walters (Suz); 5. Pat Gomm (Suz).
500 PRO: 1. Rick Ryan (Hon); 2. Scott Myers (Hon); 3. Ty Birdwell (Hon).
25+ PRO: 1. Pat Gomm (Suz).
25+ AM: 1. Mike Hodges (Suz); 2. John Matalamaki (Suz); 3. Richard Quinones (Suz).
VET BEG: 1. Glen Delaturre (Suz); 2. Randy Lynch (Yam); 3. Ron Dotto (Hon).
VET JR: 1. Cooper Stubbs (Kaw); 2. Emmit Ramirez (Hon); 3. Jim Dallara (Hon).

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EVENTS
Edited by Scott Rousseau

(Top) David Helleck (41), Ron Renzulli (184) and Don Ruffin (29) dice it up during moto one of the 250cc Sportsman Intermediate class at the Carlsbad Vintage MX. (Left) AMA President Ed Youngblood (right) presents Bill Maxey with a Hall of Fame award during the AMA District 17 awards banquet at the Pittstick's Pavilion.

Krugh cranks at Carlsbad Vintage Motocross

By Donald McGregor
Photo By Donnie Lee Staman

CARLSBAD, CA, JAN. 28
It was Kevin Krugh's turn to shine as he won in the 500cc Sportsman Expert class during some of the most intense racing in all of vintage motocross, round three of the Calzona series at Carlsbad Raceway.

Fireworks flew as soon as the first 500cc Sportsman Expert moto got under way. When the gate dropped, Krugh jumped out front with CZ-mounted Ken Greene in hot pursuit. After two laps of fierce handlebar banging, Greene began to fade, but before Krugh could take a breath, the big Maico ridden by Michael Halpin moved up and locked onto Krugh's back fender. The duo finished in that order with a rematch scheduled for the next moto.

Sure enough, moto two found the same pair fighting for the lead like two dogs for a bone. Lap after lap, Krugh fought off the advances of Halpin, finally taking the checkered flag by inches for a hard-fought 1-1 overall.

The 250cc Sporstman Intermediate-class action was no less exciting as CZ-mounted Dave Helleck ran and hid from second-place finisher Ed Lowenberg in moto one. Adding insult to injury, Helleck won wearing construction boots and Levis, on a bike with shocks bought at a garage sale. Refusing to be shown up twice in a row, Lowenberg left the line in moto two like he was shot from a cannon. Helleck continued the chase but could never completely reel in the hard-charging Lowenberg, settling for 1-2 score and second place overall.

Results

30+ NOV: 1. Tom Rogers (Hus); 2. Rich Venegas (Hon); 3. Jamie Fetty (Hus).
30+ INT: 1. Harry Backer (Hon); 2. Ed Sims (Hon); 3. Ryan Dickson (CZ).
30+ EX: 1. Michael Halpin (Mai); 2. Rich Price (Mai); 3. Kevin Krugh (Hus).
40+ NOV: 1. Jeff Snyder (Hon); 2. Rick Labgold (Mai); 3. Jeff O'Brian (Bul).
40+ INT: 1. Bob Spicer (CZ); 2. Vic Curti (Oss); 3. Steve Sabin (Mon).
40+ EX: 1. Ken Greene (CZ).
50+ NOV: 1. Harry Backer Sr. (CZ); 2. James Wilson (Hus); 3. Bud Hotchkiss (Bul).
50+ INT: 1. Terry Pratt (CZ); 2. Jim Keaton (Hus).
CLSSIC 125 NOV: 1. Don McGregor (Pen); 2. Mark Hayzleft (Yam); 3. Eldon Blasco (Hus).
CLSSIC 125 INT: 1. Gene Fetty (Hus); 2. Lee Fabry (Hon); 3. Paul Duchene (Hod).
CLSSIC 125 EX: 1. Dave Boydstun (Yam); 2. Mike Owens (Hus); 3. Mark Arsenault (Hus).
CLSSIC 250 NOV: 1. James Wilson (Hus).
CLSSIC 250 INT: 1. Ryan Dickenson (Mon).
CLSSIC 250 EX: 1. Mike Owens (Hus).
CLSSIC 500 NOV: 1. David DuVarney (Hus).
CLSSIC 500 INT: 1. Jim Bellingmo (Ric).
CLSSIC 500 EX: 1. Charlie Beck (Mai).
PREM L/W: 1. Phil Benedict (BSA).
PREM 500 EX: 1. Dave Boydstun (BSA).
SPTSMN 125 NOV: 1. Rich Venegas (Hon); 2. Chris Reed (Suz); 3. Jerry Morrison (Hon).
SPTSMN 125 INT: 1. Don Ruin (Hon).
SPTSMN 125 EX: 1. David Fisher (Hon); 2. Mark Arsenault (Hon).
SPSTMN 250 NOV: 1. Tom Rogen (Hus); 2. Jeff Snyder (Hon).
SPTSMN 250 INT: 1. Ed Lowenberg (Bul); 2 Davit Helleck (CZ); 3. Harry Backer (Hon).
SPTSMN 250 EX: 1. Rick Price (Mai).
SPTSMN 500 NOV: 1. Chris Reed (Suz); 2. Jamie Fetty (Hus); 3. David Scourfield (CZ); 4. Don McGregor (Mai).
SPTSMN 500 INT: 1. Ed Lowenberg (Bul); 2. Lee Holth (CZ); Ryan Dickson (CZ).
SPTSMN 500 EX: 1. Kevin Krugh (Hus); 2. Michael Halpin (Mai).
BMBR: 1. Eric Cook (Mai); 2. Ed Lowenberg (Bul); 3. Thomas Engelhardt (Yam).

District 17 shines at Illinois Awards Banquet

By Bob Bicking

OTTAWA, IL, JAN. 27
AMA District 17 held its annual awards banquet at the Pittstick's Pavilion in Ottawa, where some 450 riders, friends and family members gathered to enjoy an excellent meal, recognize those receiving awards and do some midwinter bench racing.

AMA President Ed Youngblood, the guest speaker, presented some statistics on amateur competition that indicated that District 17 is responsible for well over 10 percent of all of the activity in the U.S.

The first inductees in the District 17 Hall of Fame were also recognized at the banquet. This award was created to recognize people and organizations that have made a very significant contribution to motorcycling in Illinois. The 1995 inductees included Bill Tuman, Bill Maxey and The Peoria Motorcycle Club.

Tuman started riding dirt track in 1946 and won 190 races in 1948 and 1949. He rode with the National number-one plate in 1954 and won a total of five Nationals in his career. He mostly raced Indians and was a member of the Indian Wrecking Crew along with Bobby Hill and Ernie Beckman. He retired from racing in 1955 and has continued to be active in motorcycling. He has served as District 17 MX director and is currently the treasurer.

Bill Maxey is a charter member of the AMA Off-Road Congress and has served 29 years. He has a wealth of knowledge about district affairs and always brings wisdom to the meetings he attends. He is a former enduro rider who preferred wrestling his Harley to riding an English bike like a lot of the riders in the '60s.

The Peoria Motorcycle Club started in 1931 and has been a longtime supporter of the district. It is the only club running an AMA Grand National race, the Peoria TT, which is not only a fixture on the schedule but one of the best races every year. The club also hosts road and vintage events.

Katin Conquers Summit AX

By Jeff Goodwin

AKRON, OH, JAN. 19-21
Mike Katin dominated the Moto-X/Patriot Excavating Summit Arenacross with five wins during the weekend, moving into the CRA Winter Arenacross Series lead in the 125cc A and 250cc A classes.

Katin won both mains on Friday despite a broken collarbone sustained in December. Josh Sweat stayed close to Katin, finishing second in the 250cc A main. In the 125cc A, Sweat crashed in the nasty "Patriot Pounders" rocker section, remounted and kept pace with Katin, finishing one lap back.

Saturday night's jump contest resulted in a tie between Vince Karnow and Katin. Each pilot's can-can earned $300 in prize money.

Katin started Saturday night's 125cc A main in fourth and patiently worked into the lead. Sweat, Sean Hogan, Tom Welch and Karnow rounded out the top five.

Sweat holeshot the 250cc A main, never relinquishing the lead. Karnow held a steady second ahead of Katin. The group, never separated by more than a few bike lengths, finished in that order.

Sunday's 250cc A main victory went to Katin. Karnow and Dave Hand followed Katin across the finish.

The 125cc A main on the last day of racing proved to be the race of the weekend. Sweat left the gate first, with Tommy Collier, Katin and Welch in tow. Katin leaped past Collier on lap three and began whittling at Sweat's lead. Sweat and Katin rode nose-to-tail during laps seven through 11 until Sweat executed a brake check in a deeply rutted corner. After slamming into Sweat's rapidly slowing machine, Katin wisely changed lines, working the deep outside berms. Katin roosted into the lead on lap 15 when Sweat nearly ground to a halt in the previously mentioned rut. Collier closed in on Sweat but could not make his way by. Welch finished in fourth.

Results

Friday
250 A: 1. Mike Katin (Hon); 2. Josh Sweat (Kaw); 3. Sean Hogan (Suz); 4. Gaylon Dixon (Yam); 5. Adam Martin (Hon).
125 A: 1. Mike Katin (Hon); 2. Sean Hogan (Suz); 3. Vince Karnow (Kaw); 4. Tom Collier (Suz); 5. Gaylon Dickson (Yam).
JR P/W: 1. Brandon Dietrich (LEM); 2. Kurt Dwyer (KTM); 3. Kenny Henry (Yam); 4. Shawn Alleshouse (KTM).
SR P/W: 1. Dustin Charcalia (Cob); 2. Greg Kaminski (Cob); 3. A.J. Hattery (LEM); 4. T.J. Auten Jr. (Cob); 5. Randy Pierpoint (Cob).
60: 1. Micky Marshall (Kaw); 2. Mathew Gow (Kaw); 3. Andy O'Donnell (Kaw); 4. Tom Dwyer (Kaw); 5. Ronald Kendall (Kaw).
JR MINI D-1: 1. Ryan Coleman (Yam); 2. Mathew Gow (Kaw); 3. Jeff Smith (Kaw); 4. Chris O'Donnell (Hon); 5. Andy O'Donnell (Hon).
JR MINI D-2: 1. Mickey Marshall (Kaw); 2. Denny Poland (Suz); 3. Cristen Crookham (Hon); 4. Jeff Massie Jr. (Yam); 5. Lenny Chylik (Yam).
SR MINI: 1. Joe Shane (Kaw); 2. Brian Gerth (Suz); 3. Paul Kissig (Suz); 4. Brad McCielien (Suz); 5. Nick Mima (Kaw).
SUPER MINI: 1. Joe Shane (Kaw); 2. Brian Gerth (Suz); 3. Michael Sigmond (Kaw); 4. Denny Poland (Suz); 5. Chris O'Donnell (Hon).
SCHBY: 1. Tim Stroyne (Hon); 2. Jason Hermann (Kaw); 3. Brian Crist (Hon); 4. Patrick Hunyadi (Yam); 5. Matt Bores (Kaw).
125 C D-1: 1. Jason Gregory (Yam); 2. Jeremy Adams (Yam); 3. Jay Echstenkamper (Suz); 4. Joe Dubowsky (Hon); 5. Matt Bores (Kaw).
125 C D-2: 1. Jason Hermann (Kaw); 2. Bill Schneider (Hon); 3. John Duzicky (Suz); 4. Jim Skaggs (Suz); 5. Larry L. Paul (Suz).
125 B: 1. Sam Yanitelli (Hon); 2. Mike Clendenin (Kaw); 3. Tim Stroyne (Hon); 4. Brian Karnow (Kaw); 5. Jason Rogers (Hon).
250 C: 1. Tim Farr (Hon); 2. Brandon Mather (Kaw); 3. Kristian Halley (Yam); 4. Phil Kaminski (Kaw); 5. Steve Moore (Kaw).
250 B: 1. Jason Rogers (Hon); 2. Mike Clendenin (Kaw); 3. Chad Berkey (Kaw); 4. Dave Kaemar (Hon); 5. Todd Raska (Yam).
OPEN: 1. Elmer Kruza (KTM); 2. Brian Shuman (Hon); 3. George Jobe (Hon); 4. Wayne Bays (KTM).
25+: 1. Elmer Kruza (KTM); 2. Brian Shuman (Hon); 3. Dieter Koechling (Hon); 4. Scott Beard (Yam).
SR D-1: 1. Mike Sigmund (Hon); 2. Elmer Kruza (KTM); 3. Dave Blauman (Yam); 4. Ray Collier (Kaw); 5. Mark Kowalski (Hon).
SR D-2: 1. Craig McClellan (Suz); 2. Bill Auer (Yam); 3. Brian O'Donnell (Suz); 4. Wayne Bays (KTM).
BMBR: 1. Mark Woods (Hon); 2. Bob Orlandi (Yam); 3. George Jobe (Hon).
VINT: 1. Brian O'Donnell (Hon).
WMN: 1. Angela Moore (Suz); 2. Cristen Crookham (Hon); 3. Sam Snyder (Kaw).
EXTRA: 1. Phil Kaminski (Kaw); 2. Don Brown (Hon); 3. Bill Schneider (Hon); 4. Pete Ketchum (Yam).

Saturday
250 A: 1. Josh Sweat (Kaw); 2. Vince Karnow (Kaw); 3. Mike Katin (Hon); 4. Sean Hogan (Suz); 5. Dave Hand (Hon).
125 A: 1. Mike Katin (Hon); 2. Josh Sweat (Kaw); 3. Sean Hogan (Suz); 4. Tom Welch (Yam); 5. Vince Karnow (Kaw).
JR P/W: 1. Kenny Henry (Yam); 2. Brandon Dietrich (LEM); 3. Kurt Dwyer (KTM); 4. Scott Dye (Yam); 5. Arron Maxwell (KTM).
SR P/W: 1. Greg Kaminski (Cob); 2. T. J. Auten Jr. (Cob); 3. A.J. Hattery (LEM); 4. Dustin Charcalla (Cob); 5. Randy Pierpoint (Cob).
60: 1. Micky Marshall (Kaw); 2. Troy Gould (Kaw); 3. David Maxwell (Kaw); 4. Mathew Gow (Kaw); 5. Andy O'Donnell (Kaw).
JR MINI: 1. Micky Marshall (Kaw); 2. Jimmy Blair (Suz); 3. Ryan Coleman (Yam); 4. Chris Talbot (Suz); 5. Chris O'Donnell (Hon).
SR MINI: 1. Joe Shane (Kaw); 2. Brian Gerth (Suz); 3. Paul Kissig (Hon); 4. Trevor Moriva (Hon); 5. Jeremy Beals (Kaw).
S/MINI: 1. Joe Shane (Kaw); 2. Brian Gerth (Suz); 3. Trevor Moriva (Hon); 4. Chris Smith (Hon); 5. Chris O'Donnell (Hon).
SCHBY: 1. Tim Stroyne (Hon); 2. Jason Hermann (Kaw); 3. Justin Sabu (Kaw); 4. Nick Lauro (Suz); 5. Mike Presser (Hon).
125 C: 1. Roy Devore (Suz); 2. Dan Frkuska (Suz); 3. Billy Dittman (Kaw); 4. John Duzicky (Suz); 5. Jason Hermann (Kaw).
125 B: 1. Sam Yannitelli (Hon); 2. Brian Karnow (Kaw); 3. Mike Clendenin (Kaw); 4. Jason Rogers (Hon); 5. Tim Stroyne (Hon).
250 C: 1. Brandon Matner (Kaw); 2. Ernie Caldrone (Hon); 3. Steve Moore (Kaw); 4. Milford Artman (Hon); 5. Jeff McKinney (Hon).
250 B: 1. Mike Clendenin (Kaw); 2. Jason Rogers (Hon); 3. Chad Haught (Kaw); 4. Shane Smith (Suz); 5. Dale Slabaugh (Suz).
OPEN: 1. Neal Davis (Hon); 2. John Pappa (KTM); 3. Mike Taylor (Hon); 4. George Jobe (Hon); 5. John Clark (Suz).
25+: 1. Shane Smith (Suz); 2. Jim Queer (Hon); 3. Mike Blanford (Kaw); 4. Mike Smith (Suz); 5. Mike Zibaila (Kaw).
SR D-1: 1. Mike Smith (Suz); 2. Neal Davis (Hon); 3. E. Lightner (Hon); 4. Scott Sampsell (Yam); 5. Johnny Young (KTM).
SR D-2: 1. Tom McKinney (Hon); 2. Brian O'Donnell (Suz); 3. Wayne Bays (KTM).
S/SR: 1. Butch Powell (ATM).
BMBR: 1. Mark Woods (Hon); 2. Jack Clark (Suz); 3. Frank Ippolito (Yam); 4. George Jobe (Hon); 5. Bob Orlandi (Yam).
WMN: 1. Andrea Ippolito (Suz); 2. Angela Moore (Suz); 3. Cristen Crookham (Hon); 4. Sam Snyder (Kaw).
EXTRA: 1. Chris Ferguson (Suz); 2. Brad Lightner (Suz); 3. E. Lightner (Hon); 4. Don Brown (Hon); 5. Steve Pfeff (Suz).

Sunday
250 A: 1. Mike Katin (Hon); 2. Vince Karnow (Kaw); 3. Dave Hand (Hon); 4. Sean Hogan (Suz); 5. Josh Sweat (Kaw).
125 A: 1. Mike Katin (Hon); 2. Josh Sweat (Kaw); 3. Tommy Collier (Suz); 4. Tom Welch (Yam); 5. Vince Karnow (Kaw).
JR P/W: 1. Kenny Henry (Yam); 2. Brandon Dietrich (LEM); 3. Barryn Durham (KTM); 4. Arron Maxwell (KTM); 5. Scott Dye (Yam).
SR P/W: 1. T.J. Auten Jr. (Cob); 2. A.J. Hattery (LEM); 3. Dustin Charcalla (Cob); 4. Greg Kaminski (Cob); 5. Randy Pierpoint Jr. (Cob).
60: 1. Micky Marshall (Kaw); 2. Troy Gould (Kaw); 3. David Maxwell (Kaw); 4. Mathew Gow (Kaw); 5. Andy O'Donnell (Kaw).
JR MINI: 1. Jimmy Blair (Suz); 2. Micky Marshall (Kaw); 3. David Maxwell (Kaw); 4. Chris O'Donnell (Hon); 5. Ryan Coleman (Yam).
SR MINI: 1. Paul Kissig (Suz); 2. Brian Gerth (Suz); 3. Nathan Dallas (Hon); 4. Michael Cagoli (Suz); 5. Mike Foster (Kaw).
S/MINI: 1. Bo Bowman (Kaw); 2. Brian Gerth (Suz); 3. Chris O'Donnell (Hon); 4. Raleigh Thompson (Kaw); 5. Matt Strauss (Hon).
SCHBY: 1. Bo Bowman (Kaw); 2. Brian Crist (Hon); 3. Matt Macan (Suz); 4. Kevin McGranor (Suz); 5. Danny Harris (Hon).
125 C: 1. James McGuinness (Suz); 2. Ryan Tow (Hon); 3. Jason Hermann (Kaw); 4. Brian Karasevic (Suz); 5. Dan Frkuska (Suz).
125 B: 1. Mike Clendenin (Kaw); 2. Sam Yannitelli (Hon); 3. Brian Karnow (Kaw); 4. Ryan Kelly (Suz); 5. Donny Lewis (Hon).
250 C: 1. Ryan Tow (Hon); 2. Mike Zibaila (Kaw); 3. Jeffery McKinney (Hon); 4. Kristian Halley (Yam); 5. Steve Moore (Kaw).
250 B: 1. Mike Clendenin (Kaw); 2. Jason Rogers (Hon); 3. Rich Christoff (Kaw); 4. Dale Slabaugh (Suz); 5. Harley McCracken (Suz).
OPEN: 1. Kevin Deyling (Hon); 2. John Pappa (KTM).
25+: 1. Mike Blanford (Kaw); 2. Johnny Young (KTM); 3. Scott Veno (Kaw); 4. Scott Beard (Yam).

Hopkins hammers Sumter Enduro

By Johnny McCoy

WEDGEFIELD, SC, JAN. 27-28
The perfect riding weather and trail conditions seemed to suit Aiken Motorcycle Sales- backed Joey Hopkins perfectly as he bested a field of 276 riders to card the overall win at the 27th annual Sumter Enduro in the Manchester State Forest.

Hopkins dropped just 15 points en route to victory over KTM-mounted Allen Gravitt, who dropped only one point more than Hopkins after losing time in the tight, 13-mile section before the main gas area on the 53-mile course. "Snowbirds" Duane Conner and Doug Blackwell were third and fifth overall as well as first and second, respectively, in the 250cc A class. Conner beat Blackwell by one point, 17-18, while Franklin Ramey III finished third with 19 points. Ramey took home fourth overall, however, and second in the AA division, winning the tie breaker over Blackwell by a mere four seconds.

On the previous day, the kids got their turn to try to stay on time during the Sumter Mini Enduro. Action began with the Zero to Eight age group where, Christopher McCoy jumped into the woods from row one and began to set what many thought would be a winning pace. But Tim Myers took off and clearly dominated the 16-rider field. Only two of his eight check scores were matched, both of them by runner-up McCoy. Derek Pitzer negotiated the nine-tenths-mile, 18-mph-average course to finish third, just ahead of a tie between Josh Barrow and Billy Whitaker. Barrow took fourth via the tie breaker.

C.C. Weatherly established himself as the winner of the Nine to 11 class early in the event when he dropped only three points at the first check - a feat that would be unmatched throughout the day. Ricky Weatherly scored the win in the 12-14 division by carding only eight points.

Results

Saturday
0-8: 1. Tim Myers (9 points); 2. Christopher McCoy (12); 3. Derek Pitzer (14); 4. Josh Barrow (Hon); 5. Billy Whitaker (15).
9-11: 1. C.C. Weatherly (17); 2. Michael Pitts (Kaw); 3. Russell Bobbitt (Suz); 4. Heath Lee (23); 5. Robbie Overstreet (23).
12-14: 1. Ricky Weatherly (8); 2. Michael Thomas (11); 3. Michael Cox (11); 4. Jamie Dineen (14); 5. Kenneth Goode (15).

Sunday
O/A: 1. Joey Hopkins (15 points).
AA: 1. Allen Gravitt (16); 2. Franklin Ramey III (18); 3. Steve Smith (21).
OPEN A: 1. Michael Grizzle (24); 2. Mike Martin (25); 3. Steve Hardemann (29).
250 A: 1. Duanne Conner (17); 2. Doug Blackwell (18); 3. Gene O'Nail (22).
200 A: 1. Tommy Vestor (24); 2. Daniel Morrison (26); 3. Martin Pruitt (26).
VET A: 1. Mitch McRee (24); 2. Robert Pearson (30); 3. David Crain (30).

SR A: 1. Robert Neely (26); 2. Gallie Ward (30); 3. Danny Morrison (33).
S/SR A: 1. Jimmy Lynch (33); 2. Johnny Kirby; 3. Charles Bridges (34).
MSTR A: 1. Lloyd Widener (41); 2. Skip Wyman (42); 3. Ron Hale (42).
4-STRK: 1. Clay Stuckey (33); 2. David Baldwin (38); 3. Craig Borders (38).
OPEN B: 1. B.J. Moretz (39); 2. Phillip Doyle (390; 3. Eddie Royals (39).
250 B: 1. Matthew Davidson (290; 2. Douglas Wasken (30); 3. Brian Goble (34).
200 B: 1. Robbie Whisnat (28); 2. Brian Millard (33); 3. Sonny Morabito (33).
VET B: 1. Adam Cadle (26); 2. Mark Allman (30); 3. Daryll Campbell (34).
SR B: 1. Lem Wooton (37); 2. Barry Lee (40); 3. Lewis Smith (40).
S/SR B: 1. Terry Annas (43); 2. Michael Thompson (48); 3. Robert Cox (49).
MSTR B: 1. Frank Amos (48); 2. Fred Hammond (49); 3. George Yount (72).
4-STRK: 1. Greg Clark (37); 2. Tony Parker (37); 3. Clint Chassereau (118).
OPEN C: 1. Steve Marker (47); 2. James Tuttle (48); 3. Ted Lentz (52).
250 C: 1. Richard Paxton (51); 2. Chad Coleman (31); 3. Eric Armour (37).
200 C: 1. Scott Powell (37); 2. Jeffrey Walker (41); 3. Stewart Ambrose (45).
125 C: 1. Brian Bouma (36); 2. Chad Powell (36); 3. Timmy Myers (43).
VET C: 1. Lee Allen (40); 2. Michael Moore (41); 3. Rick Jeffords (43).
SR C: 1. Jeff Corra (50); 2. Richard Shipner (51); 3. Gene Murray (51).
S/SR C: 1. Wayne Meredith (46); 2. Sonny Roberts (58); 3. Bob Ingle (71).
GLDN MSTR: 1. Joe Haley (54); 2. Buddy Guillard (77); 3. Ed Weist (80).
WMN: 1. Elaine Nobles (72); 2. M.L. Kuschatka (146); 3. Kimberly Seals.

Top riders honored at CRC Awards Banquet

By Greg Robertson

PALMDALE, CA, JAN. 26
The Ramada Inn played host to the California Racing Club's year-end awards banquet, where the club's riders were honored for their top overall finishes in the recent Sponsorship Series as well as for their year-end point totals.

Track announcer Don Gossett did an excellent job as master of ceremonies for the evening, keeping the action going and handing out plenty of raffle prizes, including tickets to the following night's Anaheim Supercross.

It was also announced that an entirely new, separate Pee Wee track has been built, complete with shaded started gate and cement launching pad.

Riders fast enough to win their respective classes during the five-race Sponsorship Series received gifts and 1996 sponsorships from Axo, Sinisalo, O'Neal, Answer, FMF, Pro Circuit, Maxima and N-Style amongst others.

Yamaha rider Jon Zahrt topped Leo Saul and Rodney Morrison in the Vet Expert class, and Robbie Dunham in the 250cc Intermediate class, to pick up numerous sponsorships for the 1996 season. Chuck Kober finished behind James Longkind in the Junior Vet Novice class and topped Cole Townsend in the 250cc Novice ranks to grab his share of support for the upcoming year.

CRC number-one plate holders for 1996 include LEM pilot Edward Herring in the Pee Wee class, Troy Tittlemier in the 60cc division and Yamaha-mounted Scott Howe in the 80cc class. Night racer Steve Corteville will be sporting the number-one plate in the Junior Vet class. And try as he may, runner-up Harold Smith wasn't able to prevent Leo Saul from picking up an unprecedented third straight Vet-class title. Team Green's Intermediate rider Chris Neitzel will wear the lowest digit possible for 125cc machines, while Nick Mairose edged out last year's leading 250cc rider Robbie Dunham for the coveted plate in 1996.

Goeden is golden on Centerville ice

By Tim McBride

CENTERVILLE, MN,
Gary Goeden struck gold in the form of a first-place trophy in the Open Novice class as the Waterworks Lounge hosted the third Dirt Track Riders Association ice race of the season on Centerville Lake.

Two heats set the stage for the Open Novice main event. Troy Johnson and Goeden won the preliminaries, but it was Honda-mounted Doug Bohn with the best reaction at the start of the 12-rider main event. Goeden gated fourth but made quick work of Troy Wiseth and Johnson. After the completion of the first lap of the Keith Raveling-prepared oval, Goeden slid past race leader Bohn as they entered turn one.

With a clear track at his disposal, Goeden then opened up a handsome margin on the way to his first win of the season. On lap three, Johnson also took the measure of Bohn to earn the runner-up honors.

Goeden lined up for the Open C class and soon squared off against race favorite Harold Engberg in a battle that went the distance. In the closing laps the dynamic duo encountered lapped traffic. As Engberg slid to the outside of a slower rider, Goeden moved low in hopes of passing. Engberg, however, was quick to slam the door, in effect ending Goeden's possibility of a repeat. Bohn, Wiseth, and Jon Forester completed the top five positions.

In the Mini feature, nine-year-old Shawn Burr displayed the form of a veteran as he piloted his 60cc Kawasaki into the winner's circle in convincing fashion. Cory Solnitsky. Chris Larson, Travis Henrichs, and Josh Koch gave chase as the diminutive speedster racked up his second win of the season.

Also from the first-time winners department: Jerry Nowlin slid past race leader Lloyd Turner at the halfway point to notch his first win in the Senior final. David Peterson sped to victory in the 250cc Novice class, leaving the rest of the eight-rider field floundering for position. Troy Wiseth won his first in the 250cc B division.

Results

OPEN C: 1. Harold Engberg (Hon); 2. Gary Goeden (Suz); 3. Doug Bohn (Hon); 4. Troy Wiseth (Hon); 5. Jon Foester (Hon).
OPEN B: 1. Harold Engberg (Hon); 2. Jon Foester (Hon).
250 B: 1. Troy Wiseth (Hon); 2. Troy Buffington (Hon).
SR (40+): 1. Jerry Norlin (Hon) : 2. Lloyd Turner (Yam); 3. Bob Becker (Suz); 4. Greg Schmidt (Hon); 5. Brandon Radel (Hon).
OPEN NOV: 1. Gary Goeden (Suz); 2. Troy Johnson (Hon); 3. Doug Bohn (Hon); 4. Troy Wisheth (Hon); 5. Lloyd Turner (Yam).
250 NOV: 1. Dave Peterson (Yam); 2. Tim McBride (C-A); 3. Lloyd Turner (Yam); 4. Troy Buffington (Hon); 5. Eric Rune (Yam).
MINI SR: 1. Shawn Burr (Kaw); 2. Cory Solnitsky (Kaw); 3. Chris Larson (Kaw); 4. Travis Henrichs (Kaw); 5. Josh Koch (KTM).
MINI JR: 1. Cody Swenson (Yam).

King rules at Kelleyville ST

by Nicalee Sowders

KELLEYVILLE, OK, JAN. 13
First-time promoter Randy King had his hands full at the Creek County Fairgrounds short track as he did double duty - not only promoting the event but also riding in and winning the Open Expert class.
After 18 heat races, the stage was set for the main events. First up was the Expert Dash For Cash. Danny Cartwright had the luck going his way as he grabbed a holeshot and won the four-lap race. He was followed by King in second and Timmy Cartwright in third. Fourth place went to Joey Duvall.

In the Open Pro class, King got a major holeshot over Brandon Hancock, Danny Cartwright, and Scott Stevens. Having little pressure from the riders behind him, King led wire-to-wire as a three-way battle continued between Hancock, Cartwright, and Stevens for second place. King was first, Hancock got the second-place position and Cartwright settled for third.

In the Pee Wee Modified class, Danny Eslick got a strong holeshot over Dusty Herring and Josh Long. Eslick pulled away as the battle for second grew more intense between Long and Herring. When the checkered flag waved, Eslick was first and Herring just edged Long for second.

A battle raged for first between Mike Baur and Blane Fore in the 250cc Amateur main event. David Key made up for a poor start by passing Kevin Ellingsworth for third place. After trying to catch the front-runners, he settled for third place. Fore finished first, ahead of Baur.

Results

P/W MOD: 1. Danny Eslick; 2. Dusty Herring; 3. Josh Long; 4. Lucas Williams; 5. Logan Williams.
80: 1. Merle Williams: 2. Carl Hickman; 3. Ryan McMahan; 4. Justin Henderson; 5. Bret Sowders.
125: 1. A.J. Eslick; 2. Eddie Dunham; 3. Bobby Martin; 4. David Moses; 5. Merle Williams.
250 AM.: 1. Blane Fore; 2. Mike Baur; 3. David Key; 4. Kevin Ellingsworth; 5. Mark Baxely.
OPEN AM: 1. Tim Key; 2. Mike McCord; 3. Tommy Goodman.
MAD DOG MINI: 1. Charlie Smith; 2. A.J. Eslick; 3. Mike Baur; 4. Tommy Goodman; 5. Richard Legg.
250 EX: 1. Timmy Cartwright; 2. Joey Duvall; 3. Terry Deboard 4. Casey Burton; 5. Jerry Robinson.
OPEN EX: 1. Randy King; 2. Brandon Hancock; 3. Danny Cartwright; 4. Scott Stevens; 5. Bret Braddy.
KNBBY: 1. B.J. Breshears; 2. Michael Essin; 3. Toby Little; 4. Robbie Black.

SRAC 1995 Awards Banquet a success

By John Clifford

AURORA, CO, FEB. 4
An estimated 750 riders and family members attended the Sports Riders Association of Colorado annual awards banquet at the DIA Hilton.

The evening's big winners were Josh Vickery, who was presented the Burt Lockery Scholarship award and a $1000 check for his college education; and Chad Wollaston, who was voted Rider of the Year despite a major injury during the race season. Wollaston proved his importance off the track as well as on.

The Vickery race team dominance was maintained by Kip Sandell's multiple state championships in the 250cc Pro MX and Open Pro classes. Shawn Morgan kept pace with championships in Open Pro SX and 250cc Pro divisions. Andy Atkin grabbed the 125cc Pro MX and Trey Owens the 125cc Pro class.

Travis Riley sewed up the 80cc Expert class in both the MX and SX divisions and did the same in the Mini Open class.

Marc Warmuth was the 60cc Amateur MX and SX champ, Tom "The Shark" Kendrick doubled up in the 250cc and Open Amateur SX class. Mike Pagano took three state titles in the Amateur 125cc SX, 125cc MX and 250cc MX ranks. Cindy Bennett won the Women Novice MX class.

Pat Beavers was awarded the coveted President's Award for outstanding and unending dedication to Colorado's Motocross Community. David Claubuagh's term as the club's new president will begin at the end of February when the 1996 racing season gets underway.

Scott Pelkey (75) raced to the Old Timers Novice-class win during the CRC motocross at Los Angeles County Raceway.

Pelkey, Howell pick up Old Timers Motocross wins

By Greg Robertson

PALMDALE, CA, JAN. 28
Scott Pelkey and Charles Howell spent the first half of their Superbowl Sunday earning victories in the Old Timers Novice and Amateur classes, respectively, during the California Racing Club's Sunday motocross at Los Angeles County Raceway.

Round-one action in the Novice class saw Pelkey lead the pack through the first turn. Dale Brockett gated second ahead of Gabe Gutierrez, John Webb and Kirk Muraoka. By the second lap, Brockett had erased Pelkey's lead and was searching for a spot to pass. Pelkey kept Brockett at bay up until the final lap where Brockett was able to slip past to take the win. Webb and Gutierrez argued over third for the entire moto with Webb holding on to the spot at the checkers.

Brockett holeshot moto two aboard his CR250 with Pelkey and Gutierrez in close formation. Pelkey latched on to Brockett's rear fender and the duo started to pull away from Webb and Asker Larnkjaer, both of whom were now battling over third.

Pelkey put the move on Brockett for the lead at the midway point and immediately started to pull away. The second half of the moto was all Pelkey's, as the Honda rider stretched his lead to 15 seconds over Brockett by the final circuit. Brockett took second well ahead of Webb, Larnkjaer and then Gutierrez.

ATK-mounted Steve Jennings jumped out to the early Amateur-class first-moto lead. Bob Lucas held down second place until he overshot a slight bend in the track and handed the position to Charles Howell, who in turn dogged Jennings for a lap before finding a faster line through the whoops to grab the lead. Lucas shot past Jennings a short time later and set out after Howell.

For the next five laps, Lucas and Howell battled over the top spot. Toward the end of the moto, lappers started to become a factor in the race. Howell would slip past the lappers on the fast straights and leave the difficult passing for Lucas in the one-lined sandy turns. Howell turned it up on the last lap to take the win by a comfortable margin. Jennings came across third with Phil Black and Carlos Marin rounding out the top five.

The second moto looked to be a repeat of the first with Howell and Lucas battling for the lead after getting by fast starter Don Meiner on the opening lap. Lucas spent the entire moto eating the roost of Howell while looking for a way into the lead. At the checkered flag it was Howell taking the win just a few bike lengths ahead of Lucas. Richard Bealer worked up from the back of the pack for a well-deserved third ahead of Meiner and Black.

Results

P/W YAM (0-6): 1. Shawn Butler (Yam); 2. Zack Williams (Yam).
P/W YAM (7-9): 1. Wes Hicks (Yam); 2. Carlos Marin (Yam).
S/STK (0-6): 1. Tye Hames (KTM); 2. Dustin Enochs (LEM); 3. Cody Longenecker (KTM); 4. Kyle Bergantz (KTM).
S/STK (7-9): 1. Chad Cole; 2. Robert Memoli (KTM).
60 BEG: 1. Tim McDaniel (Kaw).
60 (9-11): 1. Anthony Barbacovi (Kaw); 2. Aaron Bergantz (Kaw); 3. Troy Tittlemier (Kaw); 4. John Rogers Jr. (Kaw).
80 BEG: 1. Donny Wiggins (Yam); 2. Nick Berend (Kaw); 3. Aaron Bergantz (Suz).
80 (7-11): 1. Shane Smith (Hon); 2. Eric Durrer (Suz).
80 (12-13): 1. Donnie Durrer (Hon); 2. Tyson Tittlemier (Hon); 3. Bobby Steffan (Suz).
125 NOV: 1. Corey Daly (Hon); 2. Kevin Townsend (Hon).
125 PRO: 1. Nick Mairose (Suz).
250 BEG: 1. Bob Gorman (Yam); 2. Larry Willams (Hon); 3. John Rogers (Hon); 4. Koichi (Yam); 5. Ryan Lane (Hon).
250 NOV: 1. Shawn McIntosh (Yam); 2. Cole Townsend (Hon).
250 INT: 1. Shawne Chamberlin (Yam).
JR VET BEG: 1. Brian McKinney; 2. Adam Alush.
JR VET NOV: 1. Gabi Abayou (Hon).
JR VET INT: 1. C.T. Watanabe (Hon).
JR VET EX: 1. Jon Zahrt (Yam).
VET BEG: 1. John Rogers (Hon); 2. Tom Patton (Yam); 3. Rob Duncan (Yam); 4. Larry Williams (Hon).
VET INT: 1. Eric Casas (Yam); 2. Harold Smith (KTM).
VET EX: 1. Jon Zahrt (Yam); 2. Leo Saul (Hon).
SR BEG: 1. Norm Schiel (Hon).
SR INT: 1. Scott Smith (Kaw).
SR EX: 1. Randy Anderson (Yam).
O/T NOV: 1. Scott Pelkey (Hon); 2. Dale Brockett (Hon); 3. John Webb (Hon); 4. Gabe Gutierrez (Hon); 5. Asker Larnkjaer (Suz).
O/T AM: 1. Charles Howell (Yam); 2. Bob Lucas (Kaw); 3. Phil Black (Hon); 4. Don Meiner (Yam); 5. Richard Bealer (Yam).
O/T EX: 1. Bob Millner (Hon); 2. Robert Fiesler (Kaw); 3. Raymond Dally (Hon); 4. Scott McDonall (Hon); 5. Wendell Beckwith (Hon).
O/T MSTR B: 1. Ken Renaux (Hon); 2. W.G. Wilson (Suz); 3. Dennis McAdam (Kaw); 4. Bill Carr (Hon); 5. Mike Chesbro (Hon).

Storrie cracks Whiplash Off-Road Championship

By Tony Tellier

PHOENIX, AZ, FEB. 3
Brian Storrie rushed for one Pro win, two runner-up finishes, a couple of fourths and an off-pace fifth to become the 1995 Overall Motorcycle points champ for the Whiplash Motorsports desert racing series. The bespectacled AA Enduro rider (who reminds some of a young Dick Burleson), who now returns to the Lone Star State, took to the wide-open desert like an armadillo to a highway. Storrie, a Motorcycle Mechanics Institute student, burst upon the local desert theater unannounced and unheralded at Gila Bend in one of those "Who is that guy?" scenarios with his narrowed Texas enduro tree bars on his KX250.

The Expert champion and Second in the points was Tuff Guy Desert Racing Team member Carlo Caya and his CR500 who stunned students of the local racing scene with a come-from-behind Overall at the ultra-high speed Sonyota-to-Rocky Point race that ended the 1995 season. Caya also was the top Expert at Snowflake and was second at Gila Bend and at Sonoyta. Fourths at the Cinders and at Wickenburg were combined with a no-show at the Mammoth GP and an out-of-sorts 12th at the Mayer short-course event.

Third was Veteran rider Gregg Aston who edged fellow 30+ Kawasaki racer Mike Tongen

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** 1. 125 A Stock
2. 125 A Modified
** 3. 125 B Stock
4. 125 B Modified
** 5. 250/Open A Stock
6. 250/Open A Modified
** 7. 250 B Stock
8. 250 B Modified
9. Open B/C
10. Plus 25 yrs
11. Vet A Plus 30 yrs
12. Vet B Plus 30 yrs
13. Senior Plus 40 yrs
14. Masters Plus 50 yrs (20 riders)

YOUTH/AMATEUR C/WOMEN

** 15. 51 AMA Stock (4-6 yrs)
** 16. 51 AMA Stock (7-8 yrs)
** 17. 65 Stock (7-9 yrs)
** 18. 65 Stock (10-11 yrs)
** 19. 85 Stock (7-11 yrs)
** 20. 85 Stock (12-13 yrs)
21. 85 Modified (9-13 yrs)
** 22. 85 Stock (14-15 yrs)
23. 85 Modified (14-15 yrs)
24. SuperMini 80-100 (12-15 yrs)
** 25. 125 Stock (12-15 yrs)
26. 125 Modified (12-15 yrs)*
** 27. 125 C Stock
28. 125 C Modified
29. 250 C
** 30. Women 12yrs+ 80-125*

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Apr. 28	FL Motosports, Ocala, FL	(904) 867-5183
May 18/19	Echeconne MX, Macon, GA	(912) 788-8227

SOUHTEAST AMATEUR REGIONAL

Jun. 22/23	Hill Billy Hills, Roberta, GA	(912) 788-0413

SOUTHEAST YOUTH REGIONAL

Jun, 15/16	Muddy Crk, Blountville, TN	(615) 323-5497

MIDEAST AREA QUALIFIERS

Mar. 16/17	Daniel Boone MX, London, KY	(606) 877-1364
Mar. 23/24	Trojan Track, N. Webster, IN	(219) 594-2649
Apr. 13/14	Midway MX, Mitchell, IN	(812) 849-2402
Apr. 20/21	Treaty City MC, Greenville, OH	(513) 968-5476
May 4/5	Dutch Sport Pk,Bloomingdale, MI	(616) 695-6405
May 4/5	Broken Spokes, New Phil., OH	(216) 339-9265
May 11/12	Baja Acres, Millington, MI	(517) 871-3356
May 18/19	COCR, Sugar Grove, OH	(614) 746-8875

MIDEAST AMATEUR REGIONAL

Jun. 15/16	Amer. Motosports, McArthur, OH	(614) 596-2057

MIDEAST YOUTH REGIONAL

Jun. 29/30	Sunday Creek, Millfield, OH	(614) 797-2413

NORTH CENTRAL AREA QUALIFIERS

Mar. 23/24	So. Central MX, Salem, IL	(618) 548-5259
Apr. 13/14	Apex Valley Rdrs., Cadiz, KY	(502) 886-8564
Apr. 20/21	Bailey's Mtrspt., Hoopeston, IL	(217) 283-6370
Apr. 27/28	Western KY Outdoor, Lowes, KY	(502) 642-2345
Apr. 27/28	Aztalan Cycle Club, Lk. Mills, WI	(414) 542-7572
May 4/5	Lake Geneva Rcwy,Lk Geneva,WI	(414) 248-8566
May 25/26	Airtime Raceway, Tiline, KY	(502) 928-4034

NORTH CENTRAL AMATEUR REGIONAL

Jun. 29/30	Lincoln Trl Motosports, Casey, IL	(217) 932-2041

NORTH CENTRAL YOUTH REGIONAL

Jun. 22/23	Lake Geneva Rcwy,Lk Geneva,WI	(414) 248-8566

SOUTH CENTRAL AREA QUALIFIERS

Apr. 27	Swan MX Park, Tyler, TX	(903) 882-7791
May 19	NM Comp Club,Albuquerque, NM	(505) 884-9033

addtional Area tracks may be added.

SOUTH CENTRAL AMATEUR / YOUTH REGIONAL

Jun. 15/16	Swan MX Park, Tyler, TX	(903) 882-7791

SOUTHWEST AREA QUALIFIERS

Apr. 28	Starwest MX Park, Moreno Vly,CA	(310) 868-2728

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SOUTH WEST AMATEUR AND YOUTH REGIONAL

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125 C: Mike Baker (Kaw); 2.Dennis Eckstrom (Hon); 3.Zach Derry (Yam); 4. Jesse Williams (Suz); 5.Charlie Peittee (Yam).

250 B: 1. Jay McGrath (Hon); 2.Randy Doroff (Yam); 3.David Janzig (Yam); 4.Eric Thorstenson (Hon); 5.Danny Phillips (Suz).

250 C: I.Mark Wertz (Hon); 2.Johnny DeOtis (Hon); 3.Dana Fiesche (Hon); 4.Rod Scheuermann (Hon); 5.Wayne Moore (Hon).

500 NOV: 1. Paul Monpas (Hon); 2.Dan Jackson (Hon).

Burkhart blasts Marion Indoor Motocross

By Carl Davis

MARION, OH, JAN 19-21

Consistency was the key during the three-day tripleheader of racing that resumed the AMS Ohio Indoor Series at the Marion County Fairgrounds, and Mark Burkhart found it.

Three separate days of racing had riders scrambling for good finishes as the series hit the halfway point, and Burkhart kept his record perfect as he won every moto that he entered by a huge margin to claim wins in the 125cc B, 250cc B and (16-24) classes. Burkhart combined good start technique to win all motos virtually uncontested as he nearly lapped the entire field in one moto.

The Pro classes came down to a two-man battle between Chuck Reed and Josh Demuth as the two exchanged wins over the three days. Demuth had the advantage after picking up three 125cc Pro main-event wins on his Lancaster Sports Cycles-sponsored Yamahas while Reed controlled the 250cc Pro class.

Results

Friday

125 PRO: 1. Josh Demuth (Yam); 2. Chuck Reed (Suz); 3. Chad Coon (Hon); 4. Mike Blair (Yam); 5. Craig Clements (Hon).

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Stenle stylin' at Centerville Ice Race

By Tim McBride

CENTERVILLE, MN, FEB. 4

Expert-ranked motocrosser and first-year ice racer Scott Stenle overcame adversity at the Dirt Track Riders Association-promoted ice race held on Centerville Lake.

Just two days ago, Stenle underwent an operation to have a stainless-steel rod removed from a recently broken lower left leg. Obviously disobeying doctor's orders (and free of any more hassles with airport security), Stenle affixed a specially designed leg brace and entered two of the fastest motorcycle classes on the DTRA ice racing circuit, the Vet A and Open B divisions.

Amazingly, he won both events.

Stenle pulled the holeshot at the start of the Vet A main event and was soon hounded by John Larson, Jeff Milbrandt, Mark Deal, Todd Lind and the rest of the eight-man pack. At the halfway point, Stenle started to pull away from the rest of the group, and at the same time Milbrandt slid by Larson for second. The order remained the same until the last lap when Larson's rear-wheel hub assembly disassembled at high speed. Stenle then crossed the checkered flag for his first win of the day with Milbrandt in tow. Larson's misfortune allowed Deal and Lind third- and fourth-place honors.

"Without the steel rod in my leg anymore, I was able to bend my knee a lot better, so I thought I'd test it out," said the LCR/Throttle Jockey/Scott USA/FMF/Dales Performance/CTI-sponsored Stenle.

The Open B final was no different for Stenle except for the fact that it was John Larson's son, Jason Larson, chomping on his rear fender for the first five laps. Stenle eventually went on to record his second win of the afternoon with Larson finishing a solid second place. Mark Deal, Nathan Slater, and Troy Wiseth rounded out the top five positions respectively.

In the Open C final, Todd Lind recorded a convincing wire-to-wire victory. The win was his first of the season. Open Novice-class winner Doug Deering finished second after regulating Bruce Sampson to third place on lap five. CN

Results

VET A: 1. Scott Stenle (Hon); 2. Jeff Milbrandt (KTM); 3. Mark Deal (Hon); 4. Todd Lind (Hon); 5. John Larson (KTM).

OPEN B: 1. Scott Stenle (Hon); 2. Jason Larson (Hon); 3. Mark Deal (Hon); 4. Nathan Slater (Hon); 5. Troy Wiseth (Hon).

OPEN C: 1. Todd Lind (Hon); 2. Doug Deering (Hon); 3. Bruce Sampson (Hon); 4. Doug Bohn (Hon); 5. Troy Wiseth (Hon).

OPEN NOV: 1. Doug Deering (Hon); 2. Bruce Sampson (Hon); 3. Troy Wiseth (Hon); 4. Doug Bohn (Hon); 5. Lloyd Turner (Yam).

250 NOV: 1. Lloyd Turner (Yam); 2. Tim McBride (Bul); 3. Eric Rund (Yam); 4. Adam Henrichs (Hon).

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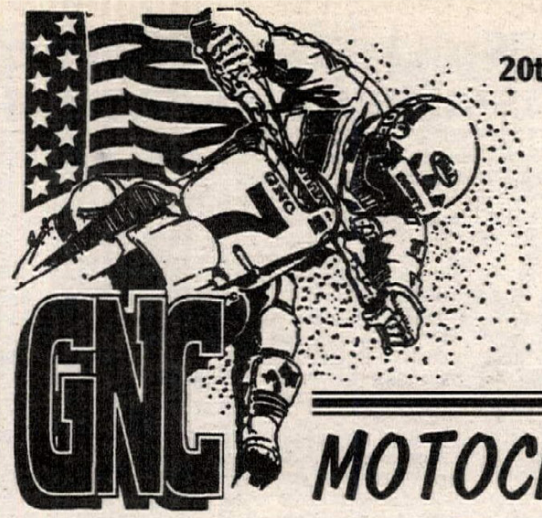
MINI JR: 1. Cody Swenson (Yam).



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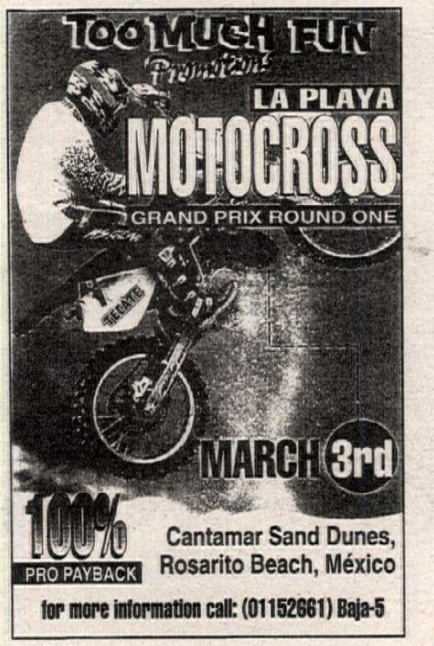

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Event Calendar

Sat., Feb. 17	Open MX Pracitice
Sat., Feb. 24 & Sun., Feb. 25	A.H.R.M.A. Double Your Fun Weekend (Vintage Only)
Sat., Mar. 2	Open MX Practice
Sun., Mar. 3	MX Race Triple "M" Series

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Members Non Members
Sunday, February 25
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AMP

Sat., Feb. 17	Open MX Practice	Hollister
Sun., Feb. 18	AMP Motocross Race	Hollister
Sat., March 16	AMP Motocross Race	Club Moto
Sat., March 23	Open MX Practice	Oatfield

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1. Mar. 4/5 (M/T)OCALA MOTORSPORTS — Ocala, FL
I-75 to Exit 71, Rt 326 E 1/2 mile, Rt 25A S (1 mi.)
Monday-quads/Tuesday-bikes
(Sun.-Quad practice 3 pm/$10 per rider plus race reg.
Monday-bike practice 3 pm/$10 per rider plus race reg.
-includes pig roast & camping)

2. Mar. 23/24 HICKORY — Hickory, NC
I-40 W of Statesville to Exit 123, Hwy 127 S (5 mi.)
Saturday-Quads/Sunday-Bikes

(HS) 3. Apr. 13/14 LORETTA LYNN RANCH — Hurricane Mills, TN
70 mi. W of Nashville on I-40, Exit 143 to Rt 13 N (7 mi.)
Saturday-Quads/Sunday-Bikes

(M) 4. Apr. 27/28 WILDERNESS — Clarksburg, WV
I-79 to Exit 119 then 50 W to Sycamore Rd. (1 mi.)
Saturday-Bikes/Sunday-Quads

(M) 5. May 11/12 BROWNSVILLE CITY PARK — Brownsville, PA
West of Uniontown on Rt 40, Exit business district S (3 mi.)
Saturday-Bikes/Sunday-Quads

(M) 6. June 1/2 BOYERS — Boyers, PA
50 miles N of Pittsburgh, I-79 to I-80 east to Rt 308 S
Saturday-Quads/Sunday-Bikes

(M) 7. June 15/16 STARVATION POINT — Elizabeth, WV
I-77 to Mineral Wells Exit, take Rt 14 to Elizabeth (14 mi.)
Saturday-Quads/Sunday-Bikes

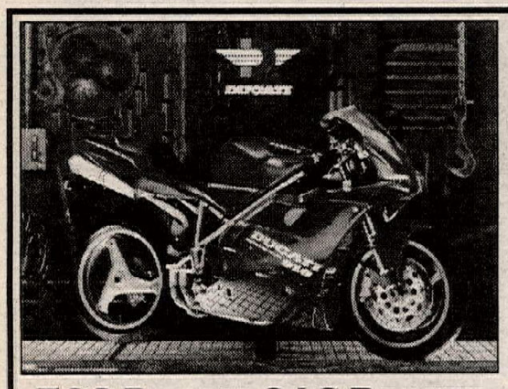
(M) 8. Aug. 24/25 BURR OAKS — Millfield, OH
Rt 13 E of Athens to Millfield
Saturday-Quads/Sunday-Bikes

(M) 9. Sept. 14/15 HARDROCK — Fairmont, WV
I-79 to East Fairmont Exit 139, follow signs to Bunner Ridge
Saturday-Bikes/Sunday-Quads

(M) 10. Sept. 28/29 HIGH POINT — Mt. Morris, PA
I-79 to PA Exit 1, go east (3 mi.)
Saturday-Bikes/Sunday-Quads

(M) 11. Oct. 12/13 LISBON — Lisbon, OH
Saturday-Bikes/Sunday-Quads

12. Oct. 26/27 IRONMAN — Crawfordsville, IN
5 mi. S of Crawfordsville off Rt 47
Saturday-Bikes/Sunday-Quads



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Sunday., February 25	Blockbuster MX Series Round #3
Sat.&Sun., March 2&3	4th Annual Malcolm Smith Motor Sports Gran Prix

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Sun., Feb. 18	CRC MX	L.A.C.R.
Sun., Feb. 25	CRC MX	L.A.C.R.
Sun., March 3	CRC G.P. "Outlaw"	L.A.C.R.
Sun., March 10	CRC MX	L.A.C.R.
Sat., March 16	Old Timer National	L.A.C.R.

Saturday Practice 9 a.m.-2 p.m. L.A.C.R.
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Sun., Feb. 18	GFI Winter Series Round 4*	Glen Helen
Sat., Feb. 24	GFI Saturday Practice Day (8am-1pm)	Perris
Sun., Mar. 3	GFI Winter Series Round 5*	Perris
Sat., Mar. 9	GFI Saturday Practice Day (8am-1pm)	Perris

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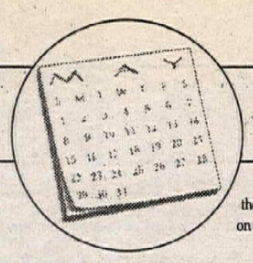
GFI Racing North

Sun., Feb. 25	Northern GFI Winter Series Rnd #4	Hollister Hills, CA
Sun., Mar. 10	Northern GFI Winter Series Rnd #5 (Rescheduled from January 28 Race)	Prairie City Sacramento, CA



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World Championship Road Race Series
3/31 Shah Alam, Malaysia, Rnd 1
4/7 Sentul, Indonesia, Rnd 2
4/21 Suzuka, Japan, Rnd 3
5/12 Jerez, Spain, Rnd 4
5/26 Mugello, Italy, Rnd 5
6/9 Paul Ricard, France, Rnd 6
6/29 Assen, Holland, Rnd 7
7/7 Nurburgring, Germany, Rnd 8
7/21 Donington Park, England, Rnd 9
8/4 Osterreichring, Austria, Rnd 10
8/18 Brno, Czech Republic, Rnd 11
9/1 Imola, Italy, Rnd 12
9/15 Catalunya, Spain, Rnd 13
10/6 Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Rnd 14
10/20 Eastern Creek, Australia, Rnd 15

World Superbike Championship Series
4/14 Misano, Italy, Rnd 1
4/28 Donington Park, England, Rnd 2
5/12 Hockenheim Germany, Rnd 3
5/19 Le Mans, France, Rnd 4
6/15 Monza, Italy, Rnd 5
6/30 Brno, Czech Republic, Rnd 6
7/21 Laguna Seca, USA, Rnd 7
8/4 Brands Hatch, England, Rnd 8
8/18 Sentul, Indonesia, Rnd 9
8/25 Sugo, Japan, Rnd 10
9/8 Assen, Holland, Rnd 11
10/6 Albaceta, Spain, Rnd 12
11/10 Sentul, Indonesia, Rnd 13
11/17 Phillip Island, Australia, Rnd 14

World Endurance Road Race Series
4/14 Le Mans, France, Rnd 1
4/28 Assen, Holland, Rnd 2
7/14 Spa-Francorchamps, Belgium, Rnd 3
7/28 Suzuka, Japan, Rnd 4
9/15 Paul Ricard, France, Rnd 5

World C'ship 125cc MX Series
4/14 Gaivera Montello, Italy, Rnd 1
4/21 Payerne, Switzerland, Rnd 2
5/5 Bellpuig, Spain, Rnd 3
5/12 Lictenvoorde, Netherlands, Rnd 4
5/19 Kapsovar, Hungary, Rnd 5
6/2 Halim Jacarta, Indonesia, Rnd 6
6/16 Cussac, France, Rnd 7
6/23 Foxhill, England, Rnd 8
7/7 Nismes, Belgium, Rnd 9
7/14 Marlbor, Slovenia, Rnd 10
7/28 Jinin, Czech Republic, Rnd 11
8/25 Holzgerlingen, Germany, Rnd 12

World C'ship 250cc MX Series
3/24 Talavera, Spain, Rnd 1
3/31 Valkenswaard, Holland, Rnd 2
4/14 Teutschenthal, Germany, Rnd 3
4/21 Gdynia, Poland, Rnd 4
5/5 Mantova, Italy, Rnd 5
5/19 Cosquin, Argentina, Rnd 6
6/2 Tibro, Sweden, Rnd 7
6/16 Heinola, Finland, Rnd 8
6/23 Foxhill, England, Rnd 9
7/14 Maracay, Venezuela, Rnd 10
7/28 Borgo Magg., San Mar., Rnd 11
8/4 Iffendic, France, Rnd 12
8/18 Kester, Belgium, Rnd 13
9/1 Roggenburg, Swtzrld, Rnd 14

World C'ship 500cc MX Series
3/31 Gallarate, Italy, Rnd 1
4/21 Schwanenstadt, Austria, Rnd 2
5/5 Plomion, France, Rnd 3
5/12 Arganil, Portugal, Rnd 4
6/2 Sverepec, Slovakia, Rnd 5
6/16 Berghem, Netherlands, Rnd 6
6/30 Kramolin, Czech Republic, Rnd 7
7/21 Ballykelly, Ireland, Rnd 8
8/4 Namur, Belgium, Rnd 9
8/11 Folkendange, Lxmbrg, Rnd 10
8/25 Saxtorpsbanan, Sweden, Rnd 11
9/8 Gaildorf, Germany, Rnd 12

World C'ship Trials Series
4/13-14 Spain, Rnd 1
4/20-21 Great Britain, Rnd 2
4/27-28 Ireland, Rnd 3
5/25-26 United States, Rnd 4
6/1-2 Canada, Rnd 5
6/15-16 France, Rnd 6
6/22-23 Italy, Rnd 7
7/13-14 Germany, Rnd 8
7/27-28 Czech Republic, Rnd 9
8/17-18 Belgium, Rnd 10

World Cup Indoor Trials Series
2/17 Paris, France
2/24 Madrid, Spain
3/1 Angers, France
3/2 Oviedo, Spain
3/8 Monaco Ville, Monaco
3/9 Vienna, Austria
3/30 Tokyo, Japan

International Six-Days Enduro
8/12-17 Hameenlinna, Finland

Motocross des Nations
9/15 Jerez, Spain

Trials des Nations
8/31-9/1 Sweden

AMA Grand Nat'l C'ship Series
3/9 Daytona Beach, FL, Rnd 1
4/20 Pomona, CA, Rnd 2
5/4 Harrington, DE, Rnd 3
5/26 Springfield, IL, Rnd 4
6/1 LaSalle, IL, Rnd 5
6/15 Dallas, TX, Rnd 6
6/22 Sedalia, MO, Rnd 7
6/29 Lima, OH, Rnd 8
7/6 Lake Odessa, MI, Rnd 9
7/14 Du Quoin, IL, Rnd 10
7/20 Hagerstown, MD, Rnd 11
7/27 Oklahoma City, OK, Rnd 12
8/4 Peoria, IL, Rnd 13
8/7 Rapid City, SD, Rnd 14
8/10 Lincoln, NE, Rnd 15
8/17 Indianapolis, IN, Rnd 16
8/25 Goshen, IN, Rnd 17
9/1 Springfield, IL, Rnd 18
9/8 Syracuse, NY, Rnd 19
9/14 Rossburg, OH, Rnd 20
9/21 Knoxville, TN, Rnd 21
9/28 Sacramento, CA, Rnd 22
10/5 Pomona, CA, Rnd 23
10/13 Del Mar, CA, Rnd 24

AMA Harley-Davidson 883 Dirt Track Series
4/20 Pomona, CA, Rnd 1
5/4 Harrington, DE, Rnd 2
5/26 Springfield, IL, Rnd 3
6/1 LaSalle, IL, Rnd 4
6/15 Dallas, TX, Rnd 5
6/22 Sedalia, MO, Rnd 6
7/6 Lake Odessa, MI, Rnd 7
7/14 Du Quoin, IL, Rnd 8
7/20 Hagerstown, MD, Rnd 9
8/10 Lincoln, NE, Rnd 10
9/1 Springfield, IL, Rnd 11
9/8 Syracuse, NY, Rnd 12
9/21 Knoxville, TN, Rnd 13
9/28 Sacramento, CA, Rnd 14
10/5 Pomona, CA, Rnd 15
10/13 Del Mar, CA, Rnd 16

AMA Supercross Series
2/24 Atlanta, GA, Rnd 6
3/9 Daytona Beach, FL, Rnd 7
3/16 Houston, TX, Rnd 8
3/23 Dallas, TX, Rnd 9
3/30 Indianapolis, IN, Rnd 10
4/6 Tampa, FL, Rnd 11
4/13 Pontiac, MI, Rnd 12
4/20 Charlotte, NC, Rnd 13
4/27 St. Louis, MO, Rnd 14
5/18 Cleveland, OH, Rnd 15

AMA Nat'l C'ship 125/250cc Motocross Series
3/3 Gainesville, FL, Rnd 1
5/5 Sacramento, CA, Rnd 2
5/12 San Bernardino, CA, Rnd 3
5/26 Mount Morris, PA, Rnd 4
6/16 Budds Creek, MD, Rnd 5
6/23 Southwick, MA, Rnd 6
7/7 Buchanan, MI, Rnd 7
7/21 New Berlin, NY, Rnd 8
7/28 Troy, OH, Rnd 9
8/4 Millville, MN, Rnd 10
8/18 Washougal, WA, Rnd 11
8/25 Binghamton, NY, Rnd 12
9/1 Delmont, PA, Rnd 13

AMA Western National Sound of Thunder Motocross Series
3/24 Phoenix, AZ, Rnd 1
4/28 San Bernardino, CA, Rnd 2
5/5 Sacramento, CA, Rnd 3
5/12 San Bernardino, CA, Rnd 4
6/8 Ogden, UT, Rnd 5
6/23 Mammoth, CA, Rnd 6
8/18 Washougal, WA, Rnd 7
9/1 Grand Junction, CO, Rnd 8

AMA Eastern National Four-Stroke Motocross Series
9/15 Danville, VA, Rnd 1
9/22 Buchanan, MI, Rnd 2
9/29 London, KY, Rnd 3
10/6 Englishtown, NJ, Rnd 4
10/13 Casey, IL, Rnd 5

AMA Four-Stroke National East/West Shoot-Out
10/20 Blountville, TN

AMA Superbike National Championship Series
3/7-10 Daytona Beach, FL, Rnd 1
4/19-21 Pomona, CA, Rnd 2
4/26-28 Monterey, CA, Rnd 3
5/17-19 Homestead, FL, Rnd 4
5-31/6-2 Lexington, OH, Rnd 5
6/7-9 Elkhart Lake, WI, Rnd 6
6/14-16 Loudon, NH, Rnd 7
7/12-14 Brainerd, MN, Rnd 8
8/23-25 Sonoma, CA, Rnd 9
9/27-29 Chandler, AZ, Rnd 10
10/4-6 Las Vegas, NV, Rnd 11

North American Super Bike Series
2/17-18 Rosamond, CA, Rnd 1
3/1-3 Daytona Beach, FL, Rnd 2
3/29-31 Braselton, GA, Rnd 3
5/18-19 Brainerd, MN, Rnd 4
8/2-4 Elkhart Lake, WI, Rnd 5
8/9-11 Portland, OR, Rnd 6
8/30-9/1 Pocono, PA, Rnd 7
10/4-6 Loudon, NH, Rnd 8
10/17-20 Daytona Beach, FL, Rnd 9

Formula USA Series
2/17-18 Rosamond, CA, Rnd 1
3/1-3 Daytona Beach, FL, Rnd 2
3/29-31 Braselton, GA, Rnd 3
5/18-19 Brainerd, MN, Rnd 4
8/2-4 Elkhart Lake, WI, Rnd 5
8/9-11 Portland, OR, Rnd 6
8/30-9/1 Pocono, PA, Rnd 7
10/4-6 Loudon, NH, Rnd 8
10/17-20 Daytona Beach, FL, Rnd 9

AMA National Championship Enduro Series
2/18 Coalinga, CA, Rnd 2
3/17 Forest Hill, LA, Rnd 3
3/31 Crosbyton, TX, Rnd 4
4/28 Wellston, OH, Rnd 5
6/23 West Greenwich, RI, Rnd 6
9/8 Canton, IL, Rnd 7
9/15 London, KY, Rnd 8
10/27 Delaware City, DE, Rnd 9

AMA National Championship Reliability Enduro Series
5/18-19 New Waverly, TX, Rnd 1
5/25-26 McArthur, OH, Rnd 2
6/1-2 Idaho City, ID, Rnd 3
6/8-9 Tillamook, OR, Rnd 4

AMA National Championship Hare Scrambles Series
3/24 Columbus, TX, Rnd 2
4/14 Hurricane Mills, TN, Rnd 3
4/21 Redding, CA, Rnd 4
6/30 Berkshire, NY, Rnd 5
9/22 Roseburg, OR, Rnd 6
10/6 Lynnville, IN, Rnd 7
10/20 Park Hills, MO, Rnd 8
11/3 Millfield, OH, Rnd 9

AMA National Championship Hare & Hound Series
3/17 Murphy, ID, Rnd 2
4/13 Jericho, UT, Rnd 3
4/28 Red Mountain, CA, Rnd 4
9/15 Yerington, NV, Rnd 5
10/6 Reno, NV, Rnd 6
10/27 Lucerne Valley, CA, Rnd 7

Wiseco/Yamaha/Answer/Dunlop/Acerbis/Braking Grand National Cross Country Series
3/5 Ocala, FL, Rnd 1
3/24 Hickory, NC, Rnd 2
4/14 Hurricane Mills, TN, Rnd 3
4/28 Clarksburg, WV, Rnd 4
5/11 Brownsville, PA, Rnd 5
6/2 Boyers, PA, Rnd 6
6/16 Elizabeth, WV, Rnd 7
8/25 Millfield, OH, Rnd 8
9/15 Fairmont, WV, Rnd 9
9/28 Mount Morris, PA, Rnd 10
10/13 Lisbon, OH, Rnd 11
10/27 Crawfordsville, IN, Rnd 12

SCORE Desert C'ship Series
3/8-10 San Felipe, B.C., Mexico
5/31-6/1 Ensenada, B.C., Mexico
10/8-10 Baja Calif., Mexico
Info 310/540-5001

AMA/NATC Nat'l Championship Trials Series
4/23 TBA, CA, Rnd 1
6/29-30 Mount Olive, IL, Rnd 2 & 3
7/6-7 Jasper, TN, Rnd 4 & 5
8/24-25 Donner, CA, Rnd 6 & 7
8/31 Omaha, NE, Rnd 8
9/1 Kansas City, MO, Rnd 9

AMA Mid South Winter Hare Scramble C'ship Series
2/25 Bremen, GA
3/3 Bolivar, TN
3/17 Centervile, TN
3/24 Cadiz, KY

Championship Cup Series
Florida Region
2/17-18 Palm Beach, FL
3/1-3 Daytona Beach, FL
3/17 Palm Beach, FL
3/29-31 Braselton, GA
4/29 Palm Beach, FL
5/27 Palm Beach, FL
6/23 Palm Beach, FL
7/14 Homestead, FL
7/28 Palm Beach, FL
8/25 Palm Beach, FL
8/31-9/1 Bloomingdale, GA

9/15 Palm Beach, FL
12/8 Homestead, FL

Great Lakes Region
3/23-24 Topeka, KS
4/20-21 Grattan, MI
4/27-28 Mount Meridian, IN
5/11-12 Elkhart Lake, WI
6/8-9 Grattan, MI
7/6-7 Grattan, MI
7/27-28 Mount Meridian, IN
8/2-4 Elkhart Lake, WI
8/24-25 Grattan, MI
9/7-8 South Haven, MI
9/14-15 Grattan, MI

Great Plains Region
3/23-24 Topeka, KS
4/27-28 Mount Meridian, IN
5/11-12 Elkhart Lake, WI
5/18-19 Brainerd, MN
6/22-23 Rockton, IL
7/13-14 Topeka, KS
8/2-4 Elkhart Lake, WI
8/24-25 Topeka, KS
9/21-22 Rockton, IN

Mid-Atlantic Region
3/16-17 Talladega, AL
3/29-31 Braselton, GA
5/11-12 Summit Point, WV
5/25-26 Bloomingdale, GA
6/15-16 Summit Point, WV
6/22-23 Braselton, GA
7/20-21 Summit Point, WV
8/10-11 Braselton, GA
8/30-9/1 Pocono, PA
9/14-15 Summit Point, WV

Mid-West Region
3/23-24 Topeka, KS
4/13-14 Rockton, IL
4/27-28 Mount Meridian, IN
5/11-12 Elkhart Lake, WI
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Northeast Region
4/6-7 Loudon, NH
5/4-5 Loudon, NH
5/25-26 Bridgehampton, NY
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7/6-7 Bridgehampton, NY
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10/4-5 Loudon, NH

Southeast Region
3/1-3 Daytona Beach, FL
3/16-17 Talladega, AL
3/29-31 Braselton, GA
4/27-28 Bloomingdale, GA
5/25-26 Bloomingdale, GA
6/22-23 Braselton, GA
6/29-30 Bloomingdale, GA
7/20-21 Talladega, AL
8/10-11 Braselton, GA
8/31-9/1 Bloomingdale, GA
9/14-15 Braselton, GA

Southwest Region
2/24-25 Las Vegas, NV
3/23-24 Phoenix, AZ
4/27-28 Phoenix, AZ
5/4-5 Las Vegas, NV
6/1-2 Phoenix, AZ
8/31-9/1 Las Vegas, NV
9/21-22 Phoenix, AZ
11/9-10 Las Vegas, NV
11/30-12/1 Phoenix, AZ

WERA Regional C'ship Series

South Central Region
2/17-18 Monterrey, Mex.
3/16-17 College Station, TX
4/13-14 Henderson, TX
5/18-19 Henderson, TX
6/1-2 College Station, TX
6/7-9 Hallett, OK
7/6-7 Henderson, TX
7/11-14 Clermont, IN
8/3-4 College Station, TX
8/31-9/1 Hallett, OK

Southeast Region
2/24-25 Talladega, AL
3/16-17 Faulkville, GA
3/23-24 Braselton, GA
4/13-14 Talladega, AL
5/11-12 Talladega, AL
6/1-2 Faulkville, GA
6/15-16 Talladega, AL
7/11-14 Clermont, AL
8/24-25 Talladega, AL
9/28-29 Faulkville, GA

North Central Region
3/30-31 Clermont, IN
4/6-7 Grattan, MI
4/27-28 South Haven, MI
5/4-5 Grattan, MI
5/18-19 Mount Meridian, IN
7/6-7 Mount Meridian, IN
7/11-14 Clermont, IN
8/3-4 Fairmont City, IL
9/7-8 Grattan, MI
9/28-29 Mount Meridian, IN

Northeast Region
3/23-24 Braselton, GA
4/13-14 Summit Point, WV
4/27-28 South Haven, MI
6/1-2 Garrettsville, OH
7/11-14 Clermont, IN
7/27-28 Garrettsville, OH
8/3-4 Summit Point, WV
8/31-9/1 Garrettsville, OH
9/7-8 Grattan, MI
10/5-6 Summit Point, WV

Mid-Central Region
2/24-25 Talladega, AL
4/13-14 Talladega, AL
5/11-12 Talladega, AL
6/7-9 Hallett, OK
6/15-16 Talladega, AL
7/11-14 Clermont, IN
8/3-4 Fairmont City, IL
8/24-25 Talladega, AL
8/31-9/1 Hallett, OK
9/28-29 Mount Meridian, IN

Southwest Region
3/29-31 Las Vegas, NV

WERA Nat'l Challenge Series
3/29-31 Las Vegas, NV, Rnd 1
5/3-5 Braselton, GA, Rnd 2
5/24-26 Summit Point, WV, Rnd 3
6/7-9 South Haven, MI, Rnd 4
6/21-23 Grattan, MI, Rnd 5
7/11-14 Clermont, IN, Rnd 6
8/9-11 Mount Meridian, IN, Rnd 7
9/6-8 Memphis, TN, Rnd 8
9/20-22 College Station, TX, Rnd 9
10/9-13 Braselton, GA, Final

WERA Nat'l Endurance Series
3/30 Las Vegas, NV, Rnd 1
5/4 Braselton, GA, Rnd 2
5/25 Summit Point, WV, Rnd 3
6/8 South Haven, MI, Rnd 4
6/22 Grattan, MI, Rnd 5
7/13 Clermont, IN, Rnd 6
8/10 Mount Meridian, IN, Rnd 7
9/7 Memphis, TN, Rnd 8
9/21 College Station, TX, Rnd 9
10/11 Braselton, GA, Final

WERA Vintage Series
3/17 College Station, TX, Rnd 1
3/23 Braselton, GA, Rnd 2
3/30 Clermont, IN, Rnd 3
4/6 Grattan, MI, Rnd 4
4/13 Talladega, AL, Rnd 5
4/13 Summit Point, WV, Rnd 6
4/14 Henderson, TX, Rnd 7
4/27 South Haven, MI, Rnd 8
5/4 Grattan, MI, Rnd 9
5/11 Talladega, AL, Rnd 10
5/18 Mount Meridian, IN, Rnd 11
5/19 Henderson, TX, Rnd 12
6/1 Garrettsville, OH, Rnd 13
6/1 Faulkville, GA, Rnd 14
6/2 College Station, TX, Rnd 15
6/7-9 Hallett, OK, Rnd 16
7/6 Mount Meridian, IN, Rnd 17
7/7 Henderson, TX, Rnd 18
7/27 Garretsville, OH, Rnd 19
8/3 Summit Point, WV, Rnd 20
8/4 College Station, TX, Rnd 21
8/24 Talladega, AL, Rnd 22
8/31 Garrettsville, OH, Rnd 23
8/31-9/1 Hallett, OK, Rnd 24
9/7 Grattan, MI, Rnd 25
9/28 Faulkville, GA, Rnd 26
10/5 Summit Point, WV, Rnd 27
10/9-10 Braselton, GA, Final

AHRMA Historic Cup Series
2/29-3/1 Faulkville, GA
3/4-5 Daytona Beach, FL
4/6-7 Las Vegas, NV
4/13-14 Rosamond, CA
5/11-12 Mount Meridian, IN
6/15-16 Grattan, MI
7/19-21 Lexington, OH
8/9-11 South Haven, MI
9/14 Steamboat Springs, CO
10/4-6 Talladega, AL
Info 715/842-9699

AHRMA BMW Classic Cup Series
3/4-5 Daytona Beach, FL
4/13-14 Rosamond, CA
6/15-16 Grattan, MI
7/19-21 Lexington, OH
Info 715/842-9699

AHRMA SOS/BOT/BEARS Series
2/29-3/1 Faulkville, GA
3/4-5 Daytona Beach, FL
5/15-16 Grattan, MI
7/19-21 Lexington, OH
4/6-7 Las Vegas, NV
4/13-14 Rosamond, CA
5/11-12 Mount Meridian, IN
6/15-16 Grattan, MI
7/19-21 Lexington, OH
8/9-11 South Haven, MI
10/4-6 Talladega, AL
Info 715/842-9699

AHRMA Vintage Iron National MX Series
3/2 Ocala, FL
3/30 Casey, IL
4/21 Brentwood, CA
5/4 Blountville, TN
5/11 Mount Meridian, IN
5/25 Tyler, TX
6/2 San Bernardino, CA
6/8 New Berlin, NY
6/15 Grattan, MI
6/29 Peoria, IL
7/7 Carlsbad, CA
7/20 Lexington, OH
8/10 Southwick, MA
9/13 Steamboat Springs, CO
10/20 Hollister, CA
Info 715/842-9699

AHRMA Speed & Sport Trials Series
3/6 Ocala, FL
3/24 Lucerne Valley, CA
4/20 Brentwood, CA
5/19 Collins, MO
6/1 San Bernardino, CA
6/2 Fredonia, KS
6/16 Grattan, MI
6/30 Peoria, IL
7/13 Norden, CA
7/21 Lexington, OH
9/12 Steamboat Springs, CO
10/12 White City, IL
10/19 Hollister, CA
Info 715/842-9699

AHRMA Classic Bike Magazine Dirt Track Series
2/29 Savannah, GA
3/3 Daytona Beach, FL
3/7 St. Augustine, FL
4/12 Rosamond, CA
4/13 Rosamond, CA
5/18 Hanford, CA
6/8 Budds Creek, MD
6/14 Lake Odessa, MI
6/28 Peoria, IL
6/30 Peoria, IL
7/27 Weedsport, NY
9/11 Hayden, CO
Info 715/842-9699

AHRMA Midwest Regional MX Series
3/30 Casey, IL
4/27 Wapella, IL
5/11 Putnam Park, IN
5/18 Collins, MO
5/26 Lamoni, IA
6/2 Fredonia, KS
6/15 Grattan, MI
6/29 Peoria, IL
7/14 Mitchell IN
7/20 Lesington, OH
9/1 Denmark, WI
9/21 Millington, MI
10/5 Des Moines, IA
10/19 Casey, IL
Info 414/684-4331

Best in the Desert Silver State Series
3/28-30 Las Vegas, NV
6/22 Pioche, NV
9/21 Tonopah, NV
10/19 Las Vegas, NV
12/7 Laughlin, NV
Info 702/457-5775

SETRA Championship Hare Scrambles Series
3/17 Buena Vista, GA
Info 706/ 458-1328

SETRA C'ship Enduro Series
3/3 Pelion, SC
3/7 Daytona Beach, FL
3/10 Greensboro, GA
3/31 Lenior, NC
5/5 Olustee, FL
5/19 Clanton, AL
Info 910/712-0605

Black Jack Enduro Circuit
2/18 St. Jo, TX
3/3 Kirby, AR
3/24 Cass, AR
4/14 Oklahoma City, OK
4/28 Little Rock, AR
5/19 Flatriver, MO
6/9 Henryette, OK
9/8 Collins, MO
9/22 Henryette, OK
10/13 Stillwater, OK
10/27 Chadwick, OK
10/17 Muenster, TX

RMEC C'ship Enduro Circuit
3/24 Turkey, TX
4/21 Pueblo, CO
5/5 Limon, CO
6/9 Buena Vista, CO
6/23 Upton, KY
7/14 Rand, CO
8/4 Woodland Park, CO
8/25 Gunnison, CO
9/15 Post, TX

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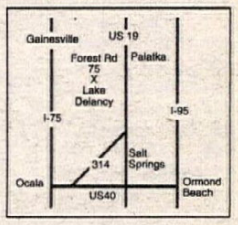

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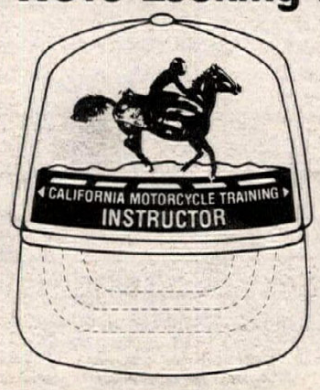

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CALENDAR

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10/6 Cloudcroft, NM
Info 307/742-4136

NMRA Drag Race Series
2/17 Palmdale, CA
3/2-3 Sonoma, CA
4/20 Las Vegas, NV
5/11 Phoenix, AZ
6/22 Palmdale, CA
7/13 Fallen, NV
9/14-15 Palmdale, CA
TBA Phoenix, AZ
11/9 Palmdale, CA
Info 818/367-4417

Canadian Supercross Series
5/4 Toronto, Ontario
5/5 Toronto, Ontario
9/21 Montreal, Quebec
Info 416/363-9035

AMA Nat'l Arenacross Series
2/16-18 Cincinnati, OH
2/23-25 New Haven, CT
3/1-3 Denver, CO
Info 817/626-7297

EARA Atlantic Cup Series
4/20 Bedford, PA
5/5 New Bloomfield, PA
6/1 Bedford, PA
6/16 Langley, VA
7/7 Langley, VA
7/27 New Bloomfield, PA
7/28 New Bloomfield, PA
8/17 Batavia, NY
9/8 New Bloomfield, PA
9/21 Bedford, PA
10/6 New Bloomfield, PA
10/19 Bedford, PA
11/2 Langley, VA
11/3 Langley, VA
Info 301/791-2046

LaPlaya Grand Prix MX Series
3/3 Rosarito, BC, Mex.
5/19 Rosarito, BC, Mex.
8/11 Rosarito, BC, Mex.
10/6 Rosarito, BC, Mex.
12/8 Rosarito, BC, Mex.
Info 001-52-661-22525

No. Calif. Mini Road Racing Assoc. C'ship Series
3/9-10 Sacramento, CA
3/30-31 Sacramento, CA
4/20-21 Sacramento, CA
5/18-19 Sacramento, CA
6/29-30 Sacramento, CA
7/13-14 Sacramento, CA
8/3-4 Sacramento, CA
8/24-25 Sacramento, CA
9/7-8 Sacramento, CA
10/12-13 Sacramento, CA
11/16-17 Sacramento, CA

CMRRA 50cc-125cc C'ship Road Race Series
2/17-18 Rosamond, CA
3/17 Perris, CA
4/26-28 Del Mar, CA
5/26 Riverside, CA
6/22-23 Rosamond, CA
7/14 Palomar, CA
8/4 Riverside, CA
9/29 Perris, CA
10/26-27 Rosamond, CA
11/24 Perris, CA
12/14-15 Riverside, CA
Info 909/674-5357

SRAC Colorado MX Championship Series
2/25 Colorado Springs, CO
3/10 Colorado Springs, CO
3/17 Colorado Springs, CO
3/24 Grand Junction, CO
3/31 Pueblo, CO
4/7 Colorado Springs, CO
4/14 Pueblo, CO
4/21 Cheyenne, WY
4/28 Aurora, CO
6/2 Cheyenne, WY
6/9 Colorado Springs, CO
6/16 Pueblo, CO
6/23 Berthound, CO
6/30 Colorado Springs, CO
7/14 Berthound, CO
7/28 Aurora, CO
8/4 Berthound, CO
8/11 Cheyenne, WY
9/15 Colorado Springs, CO
9/22 Berthound, CO
9/29 Cheyenne, WY
10/6 Colorado Springs, CO
10/12-13 TBA
Info 800/242-6581

SRAC Colorado Nat'l SX Series
5/4 Pueblo, CO
5/11 Greeley, CO
5/18 Grand Junction, CO
7/20 Colorado Springs, CO
8/17 Grand Junction, CO
8/24 Brighton, CO
9/7 TBA
Info 800/242-6581

AMA Texas Hare Scramble Series
2/18 Sublime, TX
3/10 Fort Hood, TX
3/24 North Columbus, TX
4/14 High Grove, TX
4/28 Fort Hood, TX

AMA/District 37 Grand Prix Series
3/2-3 San Bernardino, CA
4/20-21 Carlsbad, CA
5/4-5 San Bernardino, CA
10/5-6 Castaic Lake, CA
11/9-10 Gorman, CA

Mid-Atlantic Vintage Trials Series
3/24 Union Bridge, MD
5/4-5 Toronto, OH
6/2 TBA
6/23 Williamsport, PA
8/10 Toronto, OH
9/7 Farrandsville, PA
10/6 Toughkenamon, PA
Info 410/ 775-7209

FTA Trials C'ship Series
3/2-3 Crooms, FL
3/24 Hernando, FL
4/21 Crooms, FL
5/19 Crooms, FL
6/30 Crooms, FL

Yamaha Sunshine State Championship MX Series
2/18 Orlando, FL
2/25 Ona, FL
3/24 Dade City, FL
3/31 Dania, FL
4/14 Orlando, FL
4/28 Ona, FL
5/5 Dade City, FL
5/12 Reddick, FL
5/19 Dania, FL
6/2 Orlando, FL
6/9 Dania, FL
6/30 Ona, FL
7/7 Dade City, FL
7/14 Reddick, FL
7/21 Orlando, FL
7/28 Dania, FL
8/18 Ona, FL
8/25 Dade City, FL
9/1 Reddick, FL
9/8 Orlando, FL
9/15 Ona, FL
9/22 Dade City, FL
Info 407/333-2356

Florida Vet C'ship Series
3/10 Orlando, FL
4/20 Orlando, FL
5/26 Orlando, FL
8/11 Orlando, FL

Florida Mini-Cycle Championship Series
2/24 Orlando, FL
4/20 Orlando, FL
4/27 Orlando, FL
5/11 Orlando, FL
5/18 Orlando, FL
6/8 Orlando, FL
6/29 Orlando, FL
7/13 Orlando, FL
7/27 Orlando, FL
8/17 Orlando, FL
8/31 Orlando, FL
9/14 Orlando, FL
9/21 Orlando, FL

Central Florida MC Dealers Series
2/24 Orlando, FL
4/20 Orlando, FL
4/27 Orlando, FL
5/11 Orlando, FL
5/18 Orlando, FL
6/8 Orlando, FL
6/29 Orlando, FL
7/13 Orlando, FL
7/27 Orlando, FL
8/17 Orlando, FL
8/31 Orlando, FL
9/14 Orlando, FL
9/21 Orlando, FL

NMA World Mini Grand Prix
4/12-14 Las Vegas, NV
Info 310/868-8112 or 909/657-6782

NMA Ponca City Grand National C'ships
7/30-8/3 Ponca City, OK
Info 310/868-8112

Suzuki RM Cup
9/7-8 Branson, MO
Info 909/657-6834

Branson USA Nat'l MX Finals
10/4-6 Branson, MO
Info 909/657-6834

Texas Cross Country Series
2/26 Decatur, TX
3/10 Montague, TX
3/24 Whitney, TX
4/7 Wheatherford, TX
4/21 Montague, TX
5/5 Bulcher, TX
5/19 Gholson, TX
6/2 Bulcher, TX
6/16 St. Jo, TX
6/30 Fort Worth, TX
8/25 Bryson, TX
9/8 Fort Hood, TX
9/22 Durant, OK
10/6 Wheatherford, TX
10/20 Fort Hood, TX
11/3 Bryson, TX
Info 214/394-9168

MRAN Desert Series
5/11-12 Pahrump, NV
6/9 Pioche, NV
7/6-7 Caliente, NV
8/4 Ely, NV
10/6 Las Vegas, NV
11/2-3 Beatty, NV
11/17 Las Vegas, NV

WSMC Road Race Series
2/18 Rosamond, CA
3/17 Rosamond, CA
4/21 Rosamond, CA
5/19 Rosamond, CA
6/16 Rosamond, CA
7/21 Rosamond, CA
8/18 Rosamond, CA
9/15 Rosamond, CA
10/20 Rosamond, CA
11/17 Rosamond, CA
12/15 Rosamond, CA
Info 805/256-1234

International Old Timers Motocross Series
3/23-24 La Grange, CA
4/13-14 Idaho Falls, ID
4/27-28 Marysville, CA
5/11-12 Boise, ID
5/25-26 TBA, WA
6/1-2 Edmonton, AB, Can.
6/27-28 TBA, Can.
7/29-30 Albany, OR
8/31-9/1 Fernley, NV

Motorcycle Asphalt Racing Series
3/3 Barberville, FL
5/18 Myrtle Beach, SC
9/6 Asheboro, NC
10/4 Asheville, NC
10/25 Kenly, NC
10/26 Charleston, SC
Info 803/626-7959

AMA Dual Sport Trail Ride Series
3/30-31 Hurricane Mills, TN
4/27-28 New Waverley, TX
5/4-6 Renfro Valley, KY
5/18-19 Mill Hall, PA
6/1-2 Lesterville, MO
6/8-9 Lake Isabella, CA
6/8-9 Elizabeth, WV
7/6-7 Logan, OH
7/13-14 Brightwood, OR
7/20-21 Adams, MA
7/28-9/2 Newberry, MI
8/24-25 Columbus, IN
8/31-9/1 Portland, OR
9/7-8 Golden Pond, KY
9/11-14 Steamboat Springs, CO
9/28-29 Phoenix, AZ
10/5-6 Mount Solon, VA
10/12-13 Angels Camp, CA
10/26-27 Terlingua, TX
11/29-30 Los Angeles, CA

AMA/District 37 Dual Sport Ride Series
2/18 San Luis Obispo, CA
3/3 Temecula, CA
3/17 San Bernardino, CA
3/30-31 Big Bear Lake, CA
4/13-14 Newhall, CA
4/28 San Bernardino, CA
5/4-5 St. George, UT
5/5 San Bernardino, CA
5/18-19 Frazier Park, CA
5/25-26 St. George, UT
6/8-9 Lake Isabella, CA
6/16 Glendale, CA
6/29 Mammoth Lakes, CA
7/20-21 Sequoia N.F., CA
7/27-28 Independence, CA
8/3-4 Big Bear Lake, CA
8/24-25 Bass Lake, CA
9/7-8 Bishop, CA
9/21-22 Bishop, CA
9/29 Big Bear Lake, CA
10/5-6 Bishop, CA
10/13-20 Ridgecrest, CA
10/27 San Bernardino, CA
11/2-3 Death Valley, CA
11/10 Riverside, CA
11/29-30 LA-Barstow-Las Vegas
12/1 Las Vegas, NV
12/29 Mojave, CA
Info 818/249-2141
*National Trail Ride Series event
Info 818/249-2141

CMC Golden State MX National Series
South Region
2/18 Ramona, CA
North Region
2/18 Carson City, NV
Final Showdown
3/2 Gorman, CA
3/3 Gorman, CA
Info 714/367-1141

GFI Winter Series
South Region
2/18 San Bernardino, CA
3/3 Perris, CA
3/23 Perris, CA
North Region
2/25 Hollister, CA
North-South Showdown
3/24 Perris, CA
Info 909/684-6996

FEBRUARY						
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Feb 16-18

• OHIO ARENACROSS - AMA/Mike Kidd Promotions, National Series, Riverfront Coliseum, Cincinnati. Info: 817/626-7297.

Fri, Feb 16

CALIFORNIA SWAP MEET - Intershows Motorsport Promotions, Motorcycle Swap Meet, Orange County Fairgrounds, Costa Mesa. Info: 714/364-2542.

Feb 17-18

• CALIFORNIA INDOOR SHORT TRACK - AMA/Dist. 36/Generic Racing, Golden State Concrete Indoor Championship Series - Rnds 11 & 12, Glenn Co. Fairgrounds, Commercial Exhibits Building, Orland. Info: 916/873-0834.

• CALIFORNIA ROAD RACE - WSMC Road Racing Series, Willow Springs International Raceway, Rosamond. Info: 805/256-1234.

• FLORIDA ROAD RACE - CCS, Moroso Motorsports Park, West Palm Beach. Info: 407/793-3394.

• OHIO INDOOR MOTOCROSS - AMA/American Motosports Inc., Marion County Fairgrounds, Veterans Coliseum, Marion. Info: 614/596-2057.

• TENNESSEE MOTOCROSS - AMA/Victory Sports Racing, Indoor Winter Motocross Series, Walters State College Pavilion, Morristown. Info: 423/323-5497.

• WISCONSIN ICE RACE - CWIRA, Sat - no points/Sun - points/State Championship, Lake Dexter, Pittsville. Info: 715/884-2508.

Sat, Feb 17

• CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Racing Enterprise, Carlsbad Raceway, Carlsbad. Info: 619/484-1441.

• FLORIDA SHORT TRACK - Florida Motorcycle Flat Trackers Series - Rnd 14, Orange County Raceway, Orlando. Info: 407/788-2985 or 895-1219.

• FLORIDA MOTOCROSS - Pepsi Air Dania Motocross Park, Dania-Fort Lauderdale. Info: 305/321-9422.

• WYOMING INDOOR SHORT TRACK - Motorsports of America, Casper Event Center, Casper. Info: 800/544-8714.

Sun, Feb 18

ARIZONA MOTOCROSS - Cal-Zona II Vintage Motocross - California vs. Arizona, Canyon Raceway, Peoria. Info: 602/966-0101 or 619/744-8052.

CALIFORNIA ENDURO - AMA/Salinas Ramblers M/C, National Enduro Championship Series, Coalinga. Info: 408/449-4608.

• CALIFORNIA GRAND PRIX - CRC, L.A. County Raceway, Palmdale. Info: 805/272-8889.

• CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - GFI Racing, GFI Winter Series-South - Rnd 4, Glen Helen Raceway, San Bernardino. Info: 909/684-6996.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - CMC, Golden State Nationals, women's class, Barona Oaks Raceway, Ramona. Info: 818/348-1612.

CALIFORNIA MARATHON - Sandhill Ranch, Brentwood. Info: 510/634-3328.

• CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Motowest Racing/AMP, Hollister Hills MX Park, Hollister. Info: 415/587-8678 or 408/238-8208.

CALIFORNIA DUAL SPORT RIDE - D-37/Cal Poly Penguins, University Parking Lot H12, San Luis Obispo. Info: 805/544-9605.

• FLORIDA MOTOCROSS - Inside Line Racing, Yamaha Sunshine State MX Championship, Orlando MX Park, Orlando. Info: 407/333-2356.

• GEORGIA MOTOCROSS - Echeconnee Moto-X, Macon. Info: 912/788-8227.

• MARYLAND MOTOCROSS - AMA/Dist 7 & 13, Budds Creek MX Park, Budds Creek. Info: 301/475-2000.

MARYLAND HARE SCRAMBLE - MD Competition Riders, Antietam Motorcycle Clubgrounds, Hagerstown. Info: 410/922-0334, 301/797-8686.

MICHIGAN ICE RACE - Great Lakes Ice Racers, 1/4 mile, Escanaba. Info: 906/226-6360.

NEVADA HARE SCRAMBLES - D-36/Desert Riders Inc., Dead Camel Hare Scrambles, Dead Camel Mountains, Fallon. Info: 702/867-4514.

• NEVADA MOTOCROSS - CMC/On Trac Events, Golden State Nationals, Silverstate Raceway, Carson City. Info: 702/267-4392.

NEW YORK MUD & SNOW SCRAMBLES - AMA/Square Deal Riders M.C., SDR Raceway, Harpurville. Info: 607/693-3159, 693-2634.

• NEW YORK ICE RACE - AMA/Tri-State Motorcycle Club, Lembo Lake Park, Modena. Info: 914/564-4814.

• NORTH CAROLINA MOTOCROSS - Sportman's Moto-X Park, Jacksonville. Info: 910/577-5850 or 938-1346.

• OKLAHOMA MOTOCROSS - Pro-Am Sports Inc., Motorcycle Raceway, Oklahoma City. Info: 405/737-2468.

TEXAS ENDURO - Texas State Enduro Championship Series, Championship Division/East Texas Division, Jimmy Jack, Saint Jo. Info: 800/55-TSCEC.

TEXAS SHOW & SWAP MEET - Motorcycle Show & Swap Meet, Convention Center, Waco. Info: 214/216-5520.

TEXAS ENDURO - Black Jack Enduro Circuit, Jimmy Jack Enduro, St. Jo. Info: 417/345-6211.

• TEXAS HARE SCRAMBLES - AMA/Trail Riders of Houston, Texas State Championship Series - Rnd 6, Sonntag Ranch, Sublime. Info: 713/910-3131.

Feb 23-24

• OKLAHOMA INDOOR SHORT TRACK - Motorsports of America, Hardy Murphy Coliseum, Ardmore. Info: 800/544-8714.

Feb 23-25

• CONNECTICUT ARENACROSS - AMA/Mike Kidd Promotions, National Series, New Haven Coliseum, New Haven. Info: 817/626-7297.

• OHIO ARENACROSS - Faircross Promotions/CRA, Summit County Fairgrounds, Akron. Info: 216/948-1478.

PENNSYLVANIA SHORT TRACK - AMA/Armin Hostetter/Trailway Speedway, 18th Annual Motorama Indoor Races and Speed Show, Harrisburg. Info: 717/359-4310.

Fri, Feb 23

• OHIO INDOOR MOTOCROSS - AMA/American Motosports Inc., Marion County Fairgrounds, Veterans Coliseum, Marion. Info: 614/596-2057.

• PENNSYLVANIA SHORT TRACK - AMA/Motorama/Trail-Way Speedway, Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex, Harrisburg. Info: 717/359-7056 or 717/359-4310.

Feb 24-25

CALIFORNIA TT DIRT TRACK & MOTOCROSS - AHRMA/Triple 'M' Promotions, Tulare Cycle Park, Tulare. Info: 209/685-0503.

CALIFORNIA EURO SCRAMBLES & HARE & HOUND - Dist. 37/Checkers M/C, Cougar Butte, Lucerne Valley. Info: 818/574-1588.

ILLINOIS SHOW - J&P Promotions, 12th Annual World's Largest Super Series Bike Show & Parts Extravaganza, McCormick Place East Building, Chicago. Info: 319/462-6011

• PENNSYLVANIA ARENACROSS - AMA/Motorama/Trail-Way Speedway, Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex, Harrisburg. Info: 717/359-7056.

• WISCONSIN ICE RACE - CWIRA, Sat - no points/Pro Class only, Sun - points, Lake Pacawa, Plover. Info: 715/341-8902.

Sat, Feb 24

• CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Racing Enterprise, Carlsbad Raceway, Carlsbad. Info: 619/484-1441.

• FLORIDA SHORT TRACK - Florida Motorcycle Flat Trackers Series - Rnd 15, Orange County Raceway, Orlando. Info: 407/788-2985 or 895-1219.

• FLORIDA MOTOCROSS - Inside Line Racing, Cen. Fla. MC Dealer Series/Florida Mini-Cycle Series, Orlando MX Park, Orlando. Info: 407/359-9260.

• FLORIDA MOTOCROSS - Pepsi Air Dania Motocross Park, Dania-Fort Lauderdale. Info: 305/321-9422.

GEORGIA OBSERVED TRIALS - AMA/STRA/AHRMA/Charlie Roberts, Sat- vintage/Sun - modern, Newnan. Info: 770/463-4390.

• IOWA FLAT TRACK - Winter Dome Racing, Iowa State Fair, Pioneer Racing Pavilion, Des Moines. Info: 515/289-2140.

• OHIO INDOOR MOTOCROSS - AMA/American Motosports Inc., Marion County Fairgrounds, Veterans Coliseum, Marion. Info: 614/596-2057.

• OKLAHOMA INDOOR DIRT TRACK - Vintage Dirt Track Racers Assn., Purcell Expo, Purcell. Info: 918/836-6999.

Sun, Feb 25

• CALIFORNIA GRAND PRIX - CRC, L.A. County Raceway, Palmdale. Info: 805/272-8889.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - CMA/GFI Racing, GFI North Winter Series, Hollister Hills, Hollister. Info: 209/673-8080.

CALIFORNIA ENDURO-THON - 2-man, 2-hour, 2-mile scrambles course, San Jose Fairgrounds Speedway, San Jose. Info: 408/295-6906.

CALIFORNIA SHOW - Long Beach Motorcycle Parts Exchange, Long Beach Veteran's Memorial Stadium, Long Beach, Long Beach. Info: 310/426-4641.

CALIFORNIA OBSERVED TRIALS - AHRMA/AMA/Starman Motosport, vintage/beginner, Frank Raines OHV, Patterson. Info: 916/967-0262.

CALIFORNIA GRAND PRIX - SRA, Perris. Info: 714/957-2985.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - AMA, Blockbuster MX Series - Rnd 3, Glen Helen Raceway, San Bernardino. Info: 909/880-3090.

• COLORADO MOTOCROSS - SRAC/MEM Promotions, Coyote Raceway, Colorado Springs. Info: 800/242-6581.

• FLORIDA MOTOCROSS - Inside Line Racing, Yamaha Sunshine State MX Championship, Sun State Raceway, Ona. Info: 407/333-2356.

• GEORGIA HARE SCRAMBLES - Mid South Winter Hare Scrambles Series, Bremen. Info: 615/859-0873.

ILLINOIS HARE SCRAMBLES - Iowa Enduro Riders Association, Keithsburg. Info: 515/795-3440.

• KANSAS HARE SCRAMBLES - K.O.R.R. Championships, 2-man/3-hour, Rockin Bar M Ranch, Newton. Info: 316/942-6527.

• MARYLAND MOTOCROSS - AMA/Dist 7 & 13, Budds Creek MX Park, Budds Creek. Info: 301/475-2000.

MICHIGAN ICE RACE - Great Lakes Ice Racers, 1/4 mile, Escanaba. Info: 906/226-6360.

• NEVADA MOTOCROSS - CMC/Nevada Over the Hill Gang, Spring Series - Rnd 1, Fernley International Raceway, Fernley. Info: 702/356-6043, 702/322-4311 or 702/359-0695.

• NEW YORK ICE RACE - AMA/Tri-State Motorcycle Club, Lembo Lake Park, Modena. Info: 914/564-4814.

• NORTH CAROLINA MOTOCROSS - AMA/Dist 29/Sportman's Moto-X Park, Jacksonville. Info: 910/577-5850 or 938-1346.

• NORTH CAROLINA MOTOCROSS - Dirt World Promotions/AMC, 13th Annual Carolina Winter Series, Montrose Moto-x Park, Raeford. Info: 818/554-4467.

• OHIO INDOOR MOTOCROSS - AMA/American Motosports Inc., Marion County Fairgrounds, Veterans Coliseum, Marion. Info: 614/596-2057.

• OHIO HARE SCRAMBLE - AMA/Hocking Valley Motorcycle Club, Logan. Info: 614/864-0010.

TEXAS DIRT TRACK - Texas Half Mile, Pros, amateurs, vintage and 883, Devils Bowl Speedway, Dallas. Info: 214/216-5520.

• TEXAS MOTOCROSS - Spring Valley MX Park, Clyde. Info: 915/691-0874.

Wed, Feb 28

• ARIZONA MOTOCROSS - Cerbat Motorsports, Kingman. Info: 520/757-7438.

March 1-3

• COLORADO ARENACROSS - AMA/Mike Kidd Promotions, National Series, Denver Coliseum, Denver. Info: 817/626-7297.

March 2-3

CALIFORNIA GRAND PRIX - AMA/D-37/Prairie Dogs M.C., 1996 Big Six G.P. Series, Glen Helen, San Bernardino. Info: 909/678-0419 or 714/751-9238.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - CMC, Golden State Nationals, women's class, Quail Canyon OHV, Gorman. Info: 818/348-1612.

Sat, March 2

• CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Racing Enterprise, Carlsbad Raceway, Carlsbad. Info: 619/484-1441.

• CANADA ARENACROSS - CMA/Future-west Promotions, Tucker Rocky B.C. Arenacross Championship, Agri-Fair Arena, Abbotsford, B.C. Info: 604/794-3824.

• FLORIDA MOTOCROSS - Pepsi Air Dania Motocross Park, Dania-Fort Lauderdale. Info: 305/321-9422.

• IOWA FLAT TRACK - Winter Dome Racing, Iowa State Fair, Pioneer Racing Pavilion, Des Moines. Info: 515/289-2140.

Sun, March 3

ARKANSAS ENDURO - Black Jack Enduro Circuit, Bear Creek Enduro, Kirby. Info: 417/345-6211.

• CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - GFI Racing, GFI Winter Series-South - Rnd 5, Perris Raceway, Perris. Info: 909/684-6996.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Triple 'M' Promotions, Tulare Cycle Park, Tulare. Info: 209/685-0503.

CALIFORNIA DUAL SPORT - Team Dual Dogs, KTM California Dual Sport Series/Palomar Adventure, Temecula Cycles, Temecula. Info: 818/701-1913.

CALIFORNIA ENDURO - Chaparrals M.C., Teagle Wash, Red Mountain. Info: 714/528-3007.

FLORIDA FLAT TRACK - AMA/On Track Promotions, Motorcycle Asphalt Racing Series, Volusia County Speedway, Barberville. Info: 803/626-9455 or 803/626-7959.

• KANSAS MOTO/SCRAMBLES - K.O.R.R. Championships, Sprockets II River Track, Arkansas City. Info: 316/942-6527.

MARYLAND MOTOCROSS - Middle Atlantic Motocross Association, youth, Budds Creek MX Park, Budds Creek. Info: 410/273-9035.

• MEXICO MOTOCROSS - Too Much Fun Promotions, LaPlaya Motocross Grand Prix Series - Rnd 1, Cantamar Sand Dunes, Rosarito Beach. Info: 011-52-661-22525.

MINNESOTA SHOW - J&P Promotions, 9th Annual Super Series Bike Show & Parts Extravaganza, St. Paul Civic Center, Roy Wilkins Auditorium, St. Paul. Info: 319/462-6011.

NEVADA HARE SCRAMBLES - MRAN, Pahrump. Info: 702/437-MRAN.

• OHIO MOTOCROSS - AMA/American Motosports Inc., American Motosports Motocross Park, McArthur. Info: 614/596-2057.

• OKLAHOMA MOTOCROSS - Pro-Am Sports, Inc., Motorcycle Raceway, Oklahoma City. Info: 405/737-2468.

• TENNESSEE HARE SCRAMBLES - Mid South Winter Hare Scrambles Series, Bolivar. Info: 615/859-0873.

• TENNESSEE MOTOCROSS - T-N-T MX Park, Milan. Info: 901/987-3029.

TEXAS ENDURO - Texas State Enduro Championship Series, Championship Division/East Texas Division, Sidewinders, Bastrop. Info: 800/55-TSCEC.

March 5-6

• FLORIDA DIRT TRACK - Vintage Dirt Track Racers Assn., 3/8 mile, Rivercity Speedway, Dalatka. Info: 918/836-6999.

Tues, March 5

CALIFORNIA ENDURO-THON - 2-man, 2-hour, 2-mile scrambles course, San Jose Fairgrounds Speedway, San Jose. Info: 408/295-6906.

Wed, March 6

• FLORIDA SHORT TRACK - Fla. Dirt Track Riders and Orange Co. Raceway, Orlando Speed World, Orlando. Info: 904/427-0946.

Thur, March 7

FLORIDA RALLY - Indian Motorcycle Illustrated Daytona Rally, Klassix Auto Museum, Daytona Beach. Info: 904/252-3800.

March 8-10

• ARIZONA INDOOR FLAT TRACK - USA Motorsports, Motor Spectacular, Tucson Convention Center, Tucson. Info: 602/996-9847

Fri, March 8

CALIFORNIA SWAP MEET - Intershows Motorsport Promotions, Motorcycle swap meet, Orange County Fairgrounds, Costa Mesa. Info: 714/364-2542.

FLORIDA SHOW - J&P Promotions, Daytona Beach Boardwalk Motorcycle Show, Daytona Beach Boardwalk, Daytona Beach. Info: 319/462-4855.

March 9-10

ALABAMA DRAG RACE - IDBA, Montgomery Motorsports Park, Montgomery. Info: 205/849-7886.

• OHIO MOTOCROSS - AMA/American Motosports Inc., American Motosports Motocross Park, McArthur. Info: 614/596-2057.

• SOUTH CAROLINA MOTOCROSS - AMA/Kilgore Moto-sports/Dist. 29, Sun - District benefit race, I-95 Motocross, Hardeeville. Info: 803/784-2408.

Sat, March 9

• CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Racing Enterprise, Carlsbad Raceway, Carlsbad. Info: 619/484-1441.

FLORIDA SHOW - Hottest Custom Iron Daytona Show, Klassix Auto Museum, Daytona Beach. Info: 904/252-3800.

• IOWA FLAT TRACK - Winter Dome Racing, Iowa State Fair, Pioneer Racing Pavilion, Des Moines. Info: 515/289-2140.

NORTH CAROLINA MOTOCROSS - East Bend Speedway, East Bend. Info: 910/699-3629.

Sun, March 10

ARIZONA TRIALS - AMA/Central Arizona Trials Inc., Storm Ranch. Info: 602/582-2294.

CALIFORNIA MARATHON - Sandhill Ranch, Brentwood. Info: 510/634-3328.

CALIFORNIA HARE SCRAMBLES - AMA/Dist 36/Timekeepers M/C, Hollister Hills SVRA, Hollister. Info: 408/265-2122.

CALIFORNIA GRAND PRIX - SRA, Glen Helen Raceway, San Bernardino. Info: 909/880-3090.

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Location of event: _____

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City/Town: _____ State: _____

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Honda M/C Yamaha W/C dealer needs experienced tech. Year round position. Low cost of living, mild winters. Jackson, TN. (901) 668-4191. TN. (307-10)

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Honda Technician

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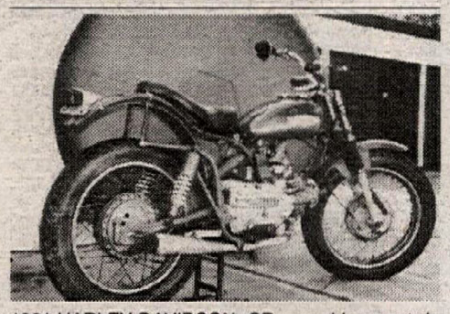

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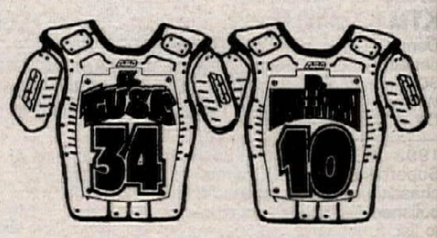

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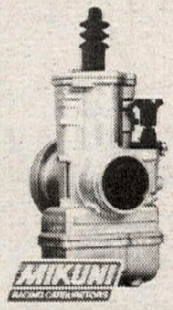

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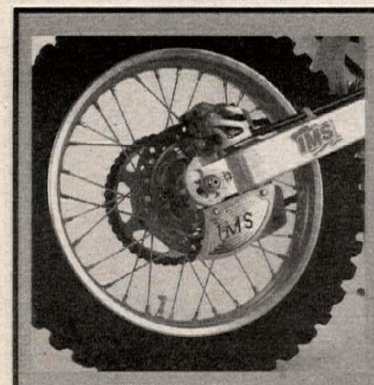
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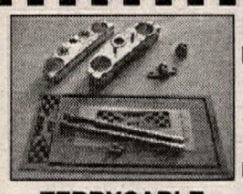

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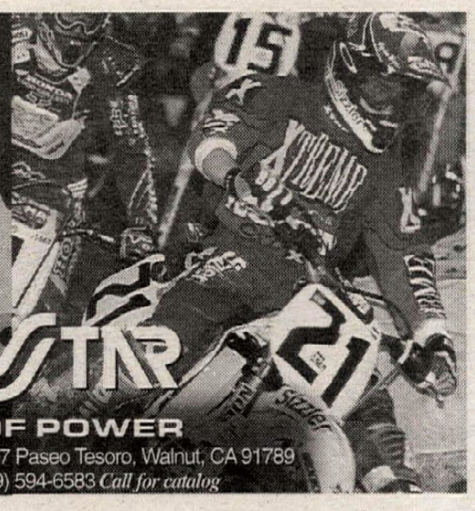

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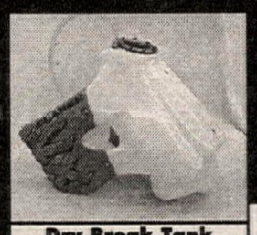

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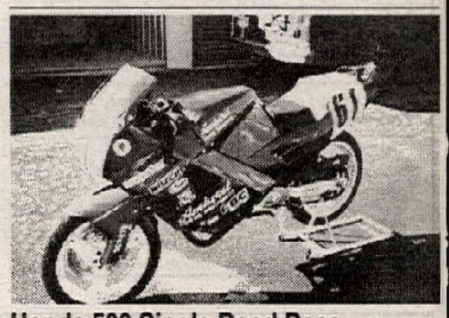

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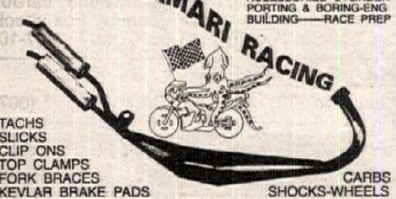

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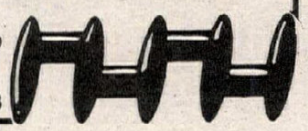

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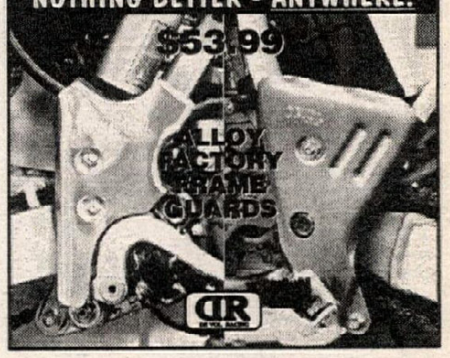

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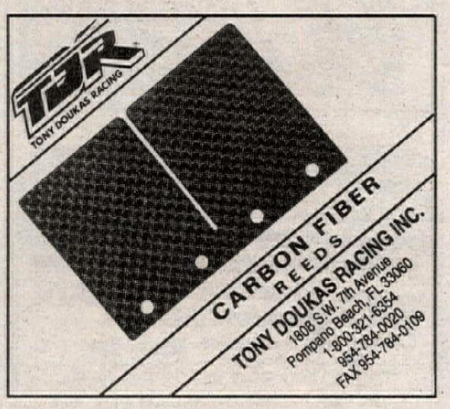

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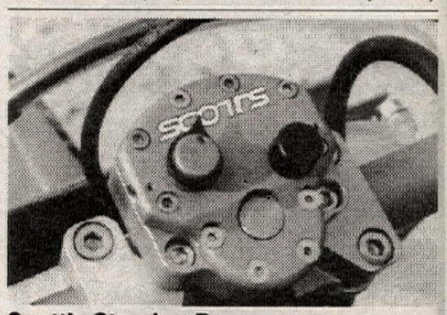

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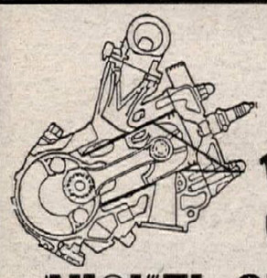

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By Paul Carruthers

As you may or may not know, *Cycle News* now has a home page on the World Wide Web. What's a home page? What's the World Wide Web? In layman's terms, our home page is nothing more than a computerized version of what you're currently reading. If you have a decent computer, a modem and an Internet access provider, you simply switch it all on, enter our address (http://www.cyclenews.com) and you're on your way. It's a fairly simple process.

Unless you've been living in a cave, you've probably already been exposed to the Internet in one way or another. It's a subject that's been well-documented throughout the media, with many companies using it to further promote their products. Home pages can vary from a company's catalog to a travel brochure from the tourism department of a foreign country. Some are simple, others are elaborate.

Our home page serves many purposes. In addition to providing us with another avenue of providing the latest news and information to our readers, it also serves as a marketing tool for *Cycle News* and its sister publications, and as another revenue builder for our advertisers.

Editorially, it gives us the opportunity to make the fastest publication in the motorcycle industry even faster. While the Seattle Supercross was going on some 1100 miles to the north, I was able to keep up with the race action in my home by simply logging on to *Cycle News Online*. I knew who won the first heat race minutes after it was completed, and I went to bed knowing that Jeremy McGrath had won the 250cc final (some will argue that given McGrath's domination, this is possible without a computer). Up-to-the-minute results and news updates as we get them.

When the printed version of *Cycle News* leaves our building en route to the printer on a Monday night, we gather everything together and send it electronically to our Eastern sales office in Atlanta, Georgia. From there our on-line specialists, Mark Mitchell and Rick Matheny, somehow get it on-line and it is available for public viewing late Monday night (Pacific time), early Tuesday morning (Eastern time). While the articles featured in the on-line edition are shorter and fewer in number than in the printed version of the newspaper, it gives those who can't wait an option.

Many publishers are shying away from having a presence on the Internet, most likely due to a natural fear that their publications will become obsolete. We see it a little differently. Rather than hurt our circulation figures, we believe that *Cycle News Online* can actually help. We receive subscriptions on a daily basis from those filling out the form on the home page and e-mailing it back to us. We've exposed more people to *Cycle News*, people who may never have known it existed. And those people apparently like what they see on-line, and they want more. After all, there is still nothing like holding a magazine or newspaper in your hands, and the portability of the Internet will never match the portability of your newspaper.

Okay, so I've preached to you on the virtues of the World Wide Web. Unfortunately, with the good also comes some bad.

In a nutshell, the Internet has made any wannabe editor with a computer into an information provider. For not a lot of money, you can sit in your garage and provide information to the rest of the world - and it doesn't even need to be accurate. You just dress it all up with fancy graphics and you look like the real deal. There's no print bill and not a lot of overhead. And exactly no accountability is required.

While there are many qualified people out there providing accurate motorcycle-related information on-line, there are others who are simply throwing things out, either in the hopes of making money (yes, some of them have even coerced credible companies into advertising on their home pages) or just for the sheer pleasure of living out a dream of being an editor (don't ask me why) - or what they like to refer to as motojournalists. Though many of them may "moto," I can tell you that very few of them come close to being journalists.

This past week I decided to do a little research - "surfin' the net" - to find exactly what was out there for motorcycle enthusiasts. There's plenty, and not all of it is good. To protect the guilty, I won't give names.

I stumbled upon one home page that featured news items (the majority of which seem to read a lot like those featured in *Cycle News*, but that's another story), interviews, etc. Not a bad-looking page, but looks can be deceiving. Scott Russell is spelled consistently as Scott Russel. One "l". An interview with Wayne Rainey quoted the three-time World Champion as saying his team received its money from Yamaha, Marlboro and Metzeler. Trust me, Rainey didn't say Metzeler. Rainey said Michelin. Inaccurate information, constant misspellings of names... It was a good example of garage journalism at its worst.

Theft on the Internet also runs rampant. Copyright laws apply, but apparently not to all of those who are building and maintaining home pages.

I get upset when *Cycle News* gets scooped. It makes my blood boil when I read something elsewhere that we haven't yet covered. I realize we can't do it all, but we can come pretty darn close. We hear of something, we follow it up with sources developed from 30-some years of publishing, the information is checked and rechecked and then it's printed. Journalism 101.

Now we do all of that, and read it on someone else's home page on the World Wide Web.

Case in point: I bring my cellular phone to the Anaheim Supercross. After each and every heat race, I call Matheny and he updates our results section on *Cycle News Online*, giving those at home the opportunity to follow the event. It's nothing more than an added service to our readers. Twenty minutes later, there's updates on another home page. This guy is probably doing nothing but sitting on his couch and eating cheese puffs. All he has to do is read the information on *Cycle News Online* and then place it on his own home page. Okay, so how do I know he wasn't there? How do I know he didn't use his extensive editorial travel budget to actually attend the race?

Easy. In our Anaheim results, we omitted the 125cc Last Chance Qualifier. Voila! So did cheese puff. The following week in Seattle, we transposed two names from a heat race. A mistake we later corrected. Cheese puff didn't. Now what are the chances of him/her transposing the same two names, omitting the same 125cc Last Chance Qualifier...? About the same chance that I have of beating McGrath.

I commend those who are making an honest attempt at "publishing" a home page on the World Wide Web because the effort that it takes to do it right is immense. But I loathe those who believe they have the right to steal others' material, or to simply report incorrect information to people who may take their word as the gospel. I also find it hard to believe that an upstanding company in the motorcycle industry would see fit to advertise in such a forum.

I guess it's all about credibility. Some have it, some don't. CN

LOOKING BACK...

25 YEARS AGO... MARCH 2, 1971

Underdog **Boris Murray** came out on top in the final round of the Top Fuel Eliminations at the Second Annual United States Fuel and Gas Motorcycle Nationals in Irwindale, California. Heavily favored **Dave Campos** had to settle for the runner-up slot... A broken throttle cable couldn't break the stride of **Rich Thorwaldson** who flew across the California desert to win the Orange County Motorcycle Club's Hare Scrambles. **Bill Carr** was tops in the Novice class at the 80-mile race.

15 YEARS AGO... FEBRUARY 25, 1981

After scoring his first-ever AMA Supercross Series win in round two at the Seattle Kingdome, **Darrell Shultz** went on to rack up his second on the very next day. In round two, **Mike Bell** and **Mark Barnett** were dicing for runner-up position when they crashed in a heap off the finish-line jump. Bell salvaged second with Barnett finishing third. In round three, Barnett was second ahead of **Kent Howerton**... **Rex Staten** rocketed to the 500cc Pro title at round seven of the DG Golden State Series with the win at Southern California's Saddleback Park. Previous points leader **Eric McKenna** needed only third overall but could do no better than fifth. Staten also finished first in the 250cc Pro division on the day.

5 YEARS AGO... FEBRUARY 27, 1991

Coming back from a DNF in round one, **Ted Hunnicutt** won the second round of the AMA National Championship Hare and Hound Series by nearly two minutes over **Don Griewe** near Red Mountain in the Southern California desert, earning his place on the cover of *Cycle News*. First-round winner **Danny Hamel** had been enjoying a two-minute lead in the first third of the race before a broken chain put him out of the running... **Mike Healey** had the golden touch in the final round of the Golden State Nationals, winning all four motos in 250 and 500cc Pro competition at California's Glen Helen OHV Park. Healey's sweep enabled him to come from behind to edge out **Willie Surratt** for the 500cc Pro crown, but Surratt did take home the 250cc Pro title. CN

Three-time AMA Grand National Champion Bart Markel, circa 1967. Markel won 28 Nationals in a career that spanned from 1960 to 1971. Photo from the *Cycle News* Archives.

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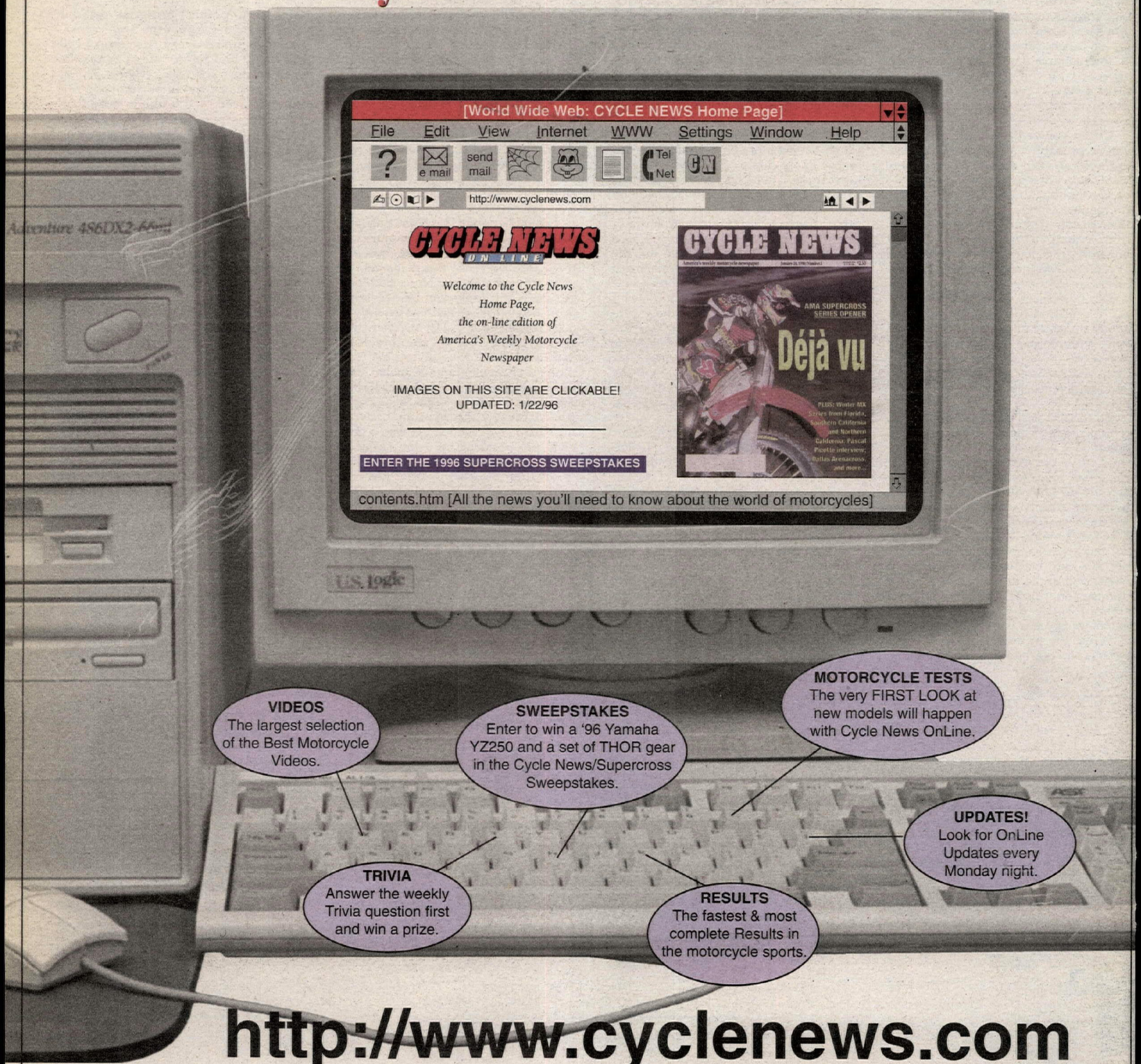

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